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COMMENT OF THE DAY

In Perspective

THERE was nothing "dam-
boyant" about Mr. Eden's
speech at the Conservative
Party's annual conference
on Thursday, but as a
sober, analytical declara-
tion of British foreign
policy it represents one of
his more outstanding public
utterances since the Tories
assumed power. One of the
more striking features of
the speech was the manner
in which he placed into
perspective Sir Winston
Churchill's proposal for
top level Big Four discus-
sions. It is, as he
pointed out, neither a
stunt nor a panacea, but
"an example of the Gov-
ernment's constant search
for methods which might
reduce international ten-
sion." The inference is not
to be mistaken. Even if Sir
Winston's idea fructifies,
the Prime Minister does
not anticipate spectacular
results. Nevertheless, Mr.
Eden made it reasonably
clear that the Churchill
proposal has the backing
of the British Cabinet.
"We are firm against
aggression, but the door is
always open to discussions
and agreement at any
level," he declared, signifi-
cantly adding, "We should
pursue all the methods
open to us to reduce
international tension, from
four-Power meeting at the
highest level to negotia-
tion of even small issues."
MR. Eden's official identi-
fication with the Prime
Minister's proposal is of
first importance inasmuch
that it has frequently been
alleged that differences of
opinion exist in the Con-
servative camp over its
desirability. Mr. Eden,
it is reported, was an
enthusiastically cheered
at the conference, dele-
gates for every point he
made in his speech, and
this can be taken as a
positive sign that the
Tories, as a party, are
solidly behind their leader
in his novel quest for
composing international re-
lations. And if Sir Winston
needed any further en-
couragement he certainly
is receiving it from his
political opponents, the
Socialists, to a degree
that is almost embarrass-
ing. The danger, warns
Mr. Eden, is that they
expect too much to result
from top level informal
talks; that to what Sir
Winston regards as an
exploratory expedition, they
have already given the
values of a panacea.
Nevertheless, with the
weight of popular support
behind him, the Prime
Minister can hardly, at
this stage, repudiate his
own proposal.

Jet Bomber Wins Air Race In Record Time

12,000 Miles In Less Than 24 Hours

Christchurch, New Zealand, Oct. 9.
Flight-Lieutenant Roland Burton, 35-year-old
British bomber pilot, today won the gruelling
12,000-mile England-New Zealand air race.
His Canberra jet bomber touched down at
1736 GMT, according to the official timing, after
shattering all previous long-distance records in the
flight half way round the world in under 24 hours.
In a tremendous struggle for second place
Squadron-Leader P. F. Raw finally snatched victory
by three minutes from Flight-Lieutenant R.
M. Furze of Britain.

Key Speech By Churchill Today

Margate, Oct. 9.
Sir Winston Churchill
joined his Ministers here
tonight armed with a
speech which, it is believed,
will herald a fresh initiative
aimed at ending the cold
war.

The Prime Minister's review of
world problems on Saturday will
be the climax and rally point of
the Conservative Party's annual
conference, which began on
Thursday.
The speech, which will break
the long public silence enforced
on him by illness, is already in
draft.
It may develop the theme of
security guarantees between
Russia and the West. He threw
out this suggestion last May and
left Mr. Anthony Eden, Foreign
Secretary, to develop it in a
speech at the conference there
yesterday.
It will be the Prime Minis-
ter's first platform appearance
since June when, suffering from
overstrain, he cancelled his trip
to Bermuda for Western Big
Three talks.
In this interval he also lost
none of his desire for a high
level meeting between Russia
and the Western Powers.—
Reuter.

US "Gratified" By Britain's Moves In Br Guiana

Washington, Oct. 9.
The State Department said today that the
United States was "gratified" by Britain's moves
to meet the Communist threat in British Guiana.
"The United States Government would be gravely
concerned at the threat to the security of the hemisphere
which could arise if British Guiana fell victim to the
international Communist conspiracy," a formal statement
said.

"Such a situation would also
be a matter of inter-American
concern under existing inter-
American instruments," the
State Department added.
"This Government is there-
fore gratified to know that the
British Government is taking
firm action to meet the situa-
tion, and that a Royal Com-
mission has been appointed to
study the constitutional ques-
tion."
The statement said the United
States Government had been
following closely developments
in British Guiana, and had been
informed by the British Gov-
ernment of the situation there.
Earlier, it had been learned
that the United States had told
Latin American Governments
that the firm action being taken
by Britain was a source of
general satisfaction.—Reuter.

NOT SURPRISING
London, Oct. 9.
Few people in Britain were
really surprised today when
the British Government an-
nounced the intended suspen-
sion of the British Guiana
constitution.
They had been conditioned
for the announcement by week-
long front page speculation—
much of it well-founded.
To a certain extent the British
Government statement, issued
without warning, has helped to
clear the air here but there is
still a widespread feeling that
the full story has yet to be told; that
facts and figures ought to be
adduced to substantiate the
generalised disclosures of a high-
level Communist conspiracy.
Until they are made plain there
is bound to be criticism of the
Government's action, particularly
from certain factions of the
Labour Party.

Hailed as significant, however,
is the Colonial Secretary's blunt
statement today on Britain's
attitude towards Communism
within the Commonwealth. He
told the Tory conference at
Margate: "The British Govern-
ment is not willing to allow a
Communist State to be organized
within the British Common-
wealth. Our friends can take
that as a definite statement and
our enemies can attach to it all
the importance I think they
should."
A WARNING
It is obvious that this un-
equivocal statement was meant
to be read as a warning beyond
the bounds of British Guiana.
It is apparent from the tenor
both of the British Govern-
ment's and the British Guiana
Governor's statements that the
constitutional aspect apart, Brit-
tain is greatly concerned over
the economic repercussions on

Peking Claim To Be Rejected

London, Oct. 9.
Britain will reject Com-
munist China's claim that
a British motor launch
opened fire before a
Chinese warship shelled a
Royal Navy motor launch
off Hongkong a month ago,
official sources said today.
Seven men were killed
and five wounded in the
attack.
A naval inquiry report,
which has now been re-
ceived here, justifies the
September 12 British pro-
test calling the shelling
"wantonly and unprovoked
attack," the sources said.
The British rejection of
the recent Chinese charges,
that the British vessel
opened the attack and that
two British planes strafed
the Chinese, is expected to
be sent to Peking shortly.—
Reuter.

Rhee Is Told To Go Slow

Washington, Oct. 9.
The State Department
announced today it had
"strongly urged" the South
Korean Government to
exercise "moderation and
forbearance" and prevent
any interference with Indian
troops guarding anti-Com-
munist prisoners of war in
the Korean demilitarised
zone.

State Department officials said
the "approach" to the South
Korean President, Dr. Syngman
Rhee, was made "because of
South Korean threats to free
the 22,000 war prisoners and
threats made against the Indian
troops guarding them."
A formal statement issued
here said that the State De-
partment regretted incidents in
which Indian troops shot pri-
soners during riots in the
demilitarised zone and noted
with appreciation "the difficulty
of the task which India and
the other members of the
Neutral Nations Repatriation
Commission have undertaken
as an important contribution
to international peace."
The statement added: "We
have strongly urged moderation
and forbearance upon the Re-
public of Korea."
"It is essential that all nations
involved exercise patience and
restraint."
It was understood that the
approach to South Korea was
made before the State Depart-
ment on Wednesday received a
message from the Indian
Government, which expressed
concern at the situation in the
demilitarised zone.
The State Department said
that it fully supported the
positions which the United
Nations Command in Korea had
taken in its contacts with the
Neutral Nations Repatriation
Commission.
"The United States desires
to assure that the letter and
spirit of the armistice agree-
ment be fully adhered to so
that the rights of the non-
repatriate prisoners will be
protected," it added.
"We are looking to the
member nations of the Com-
mission to assure that this is
done."—Reuter.

TODAY'S RACING SELECTIONS

By "Rapier"	By "The Turf"
RACE 1 Bet Macdhul Airs and Graces Harvest Field Outsider:—My Darling.	RACE 1 My Darling Airs and Graces Harvest Field Outsider:—Ben Macdhul.
RACE 2 Diana Precious Mine Adorable Ada Outsider:—Prince Dahlia.	RACE 2 Prince Dahlia Diana Precious Mine Outsider:—Lucky Strike.
RACE 3 Concord Flying Saucer Meadowbrook Outsider:—Top Secret.	RACE 3 Flying Saucer Top Secret Meadowbrook Outsider:—Emerald.
RACE 4 Desire No Regrets Cola Outsider:—Queen Helen.	RACE 4 No Regrets Queen Helen Desire Outsider:—Tom Thumb.
RACE 5 Marine Charger Hiram C Harmony Outsider:—Blossom Time.	RACE 5 Hiram C Never Mind Rowanlea Outsider:—Marine Charger.
RACE 6 Easy-going Boyne Some Fun Outsider:—Mourne.	RACE 6 Boyne Easy-going Trade Wind Outsider:—Speedy Roger.
RACE 7 Ringstead Hurry On Radio Star Outsider:—Perfectibility.	RACE 7 Ringstead Perfectibility Radio Star Outsider:—The Hopeful.
RACE 8 Calomity Scrub Thunder Sky Outsider:—Ringwood.	RACE 8 Scrub Mincola Silver Dahlia Outsider:—Rebel II.
RACE 9 Comet Bright Bay Great Conqueror Outsider:—Shun Lee.	RACE 9 Great Conqueror Comet Bright Bay Outsider:—Winning Rush.
RACE 10 Debutante Beat That The Lioness Outsider:—L'Arc Triomphe.	RACE 10 Hallmark Debutante Allied Victory Outsider:—The Lioness.

16 American "Spies" Go On Trial

London, Oct. 9.
Moscow Radio said tonight that 16 "American spies"
dropped by parachute over Rumanian territory, appeared
before a military court in Bucharest today charged with
espionage, terrorism and "diversionary work."
The indictment said the
accused had been recruited by
the American intelligence
service with the co-operation
of the French and Greek in-
telligence services.
"They were all Fascists or
ex-convicts who had fled from
Rumania."
Before being dropped from
planes over Rumanian territory,
the indictment said, they had
been trained in special spy
schools and supplied with
radio equipment, false identity
papers, poison, codes—and
money.
"In addition to terrorist and
diversionary work, they also
engaged in the collection of
political, economic and military
intelligence and transmitting it
to American agents."
Moscow Radio, quoting the
official Soviet news agency,
Tass, said that after a pre-
liminary investigation all the
accused fully admitted the
charges made against them.—
Reuter.

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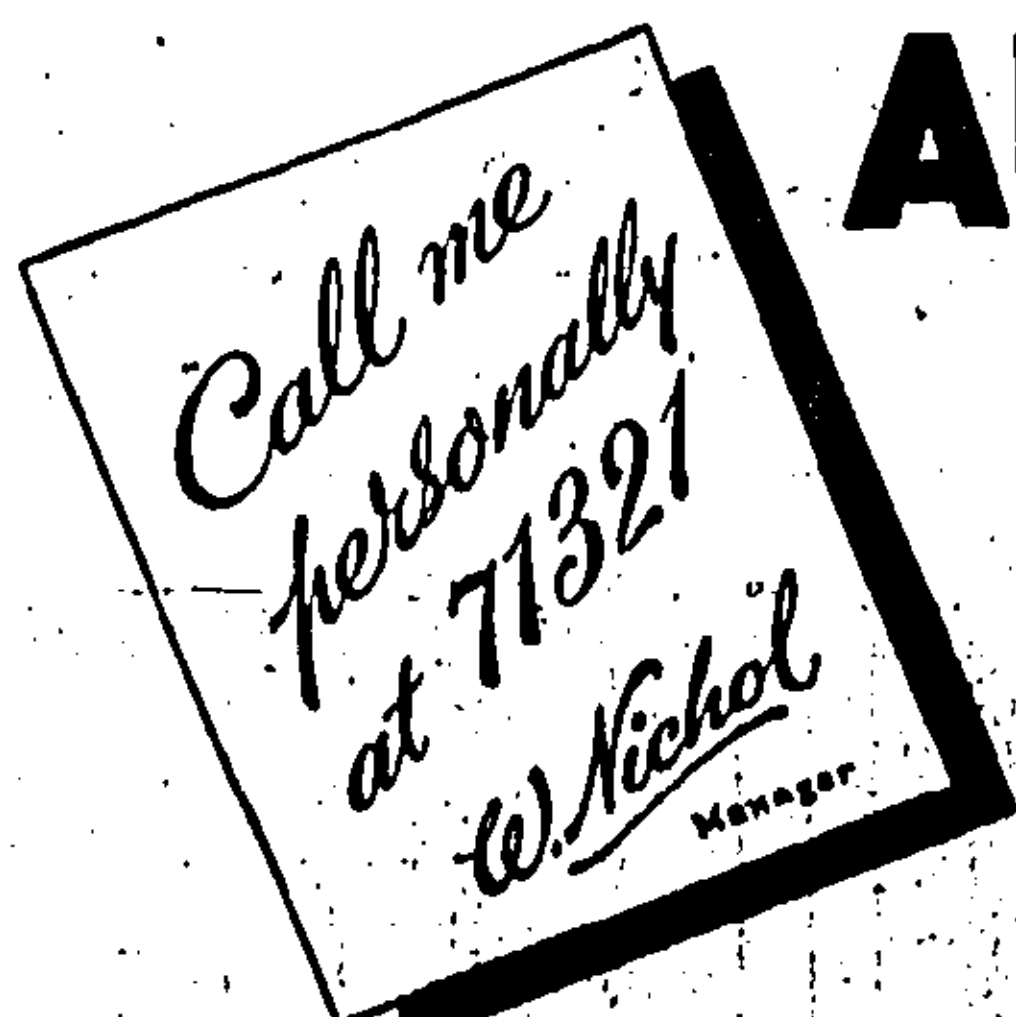
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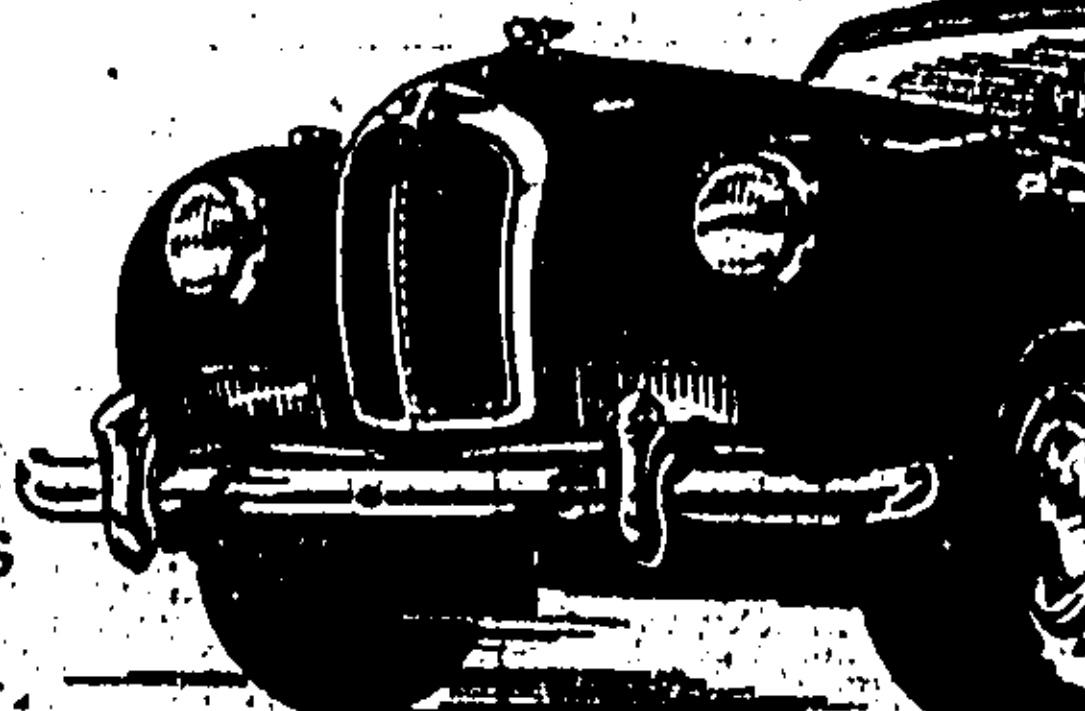


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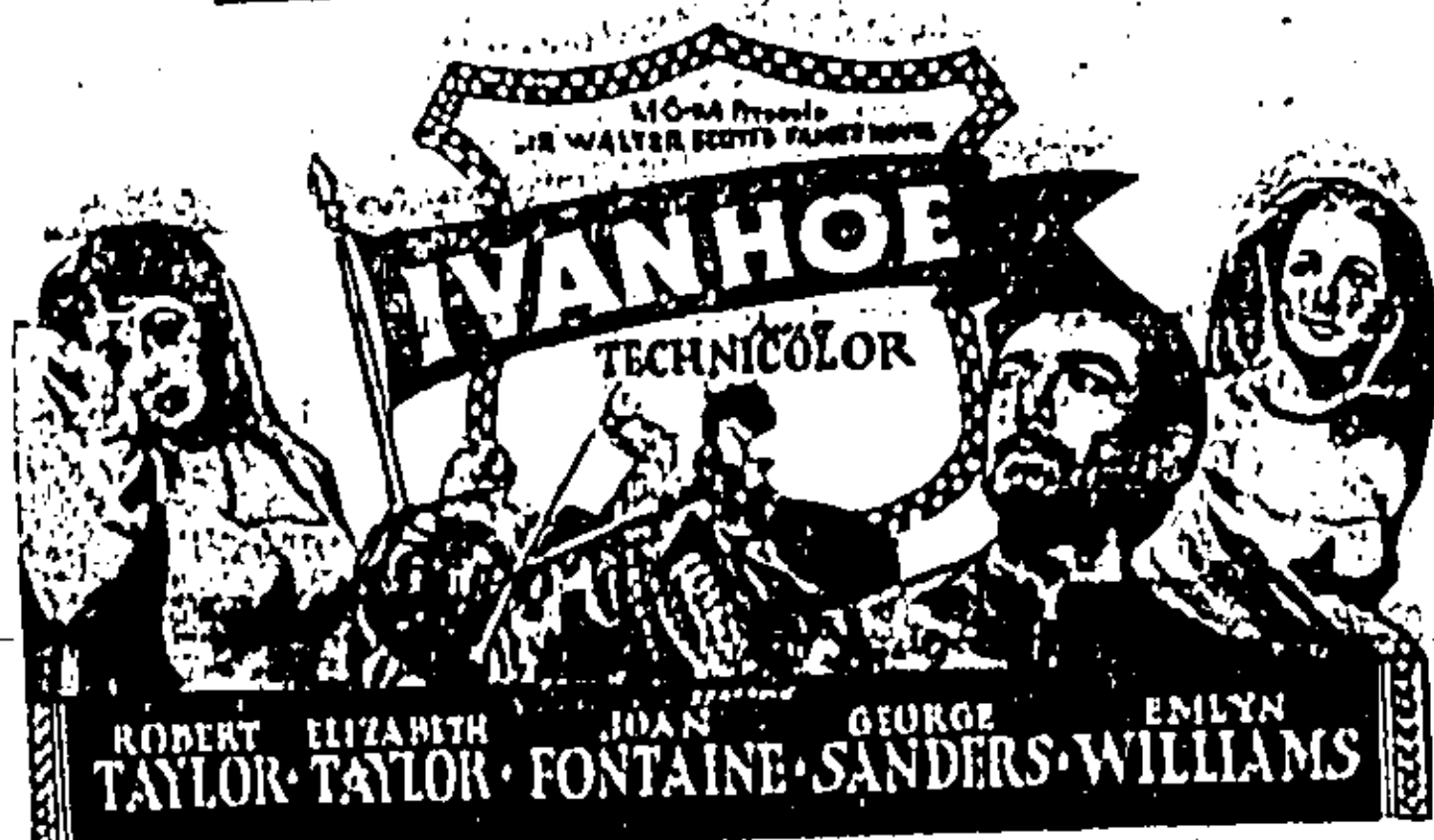
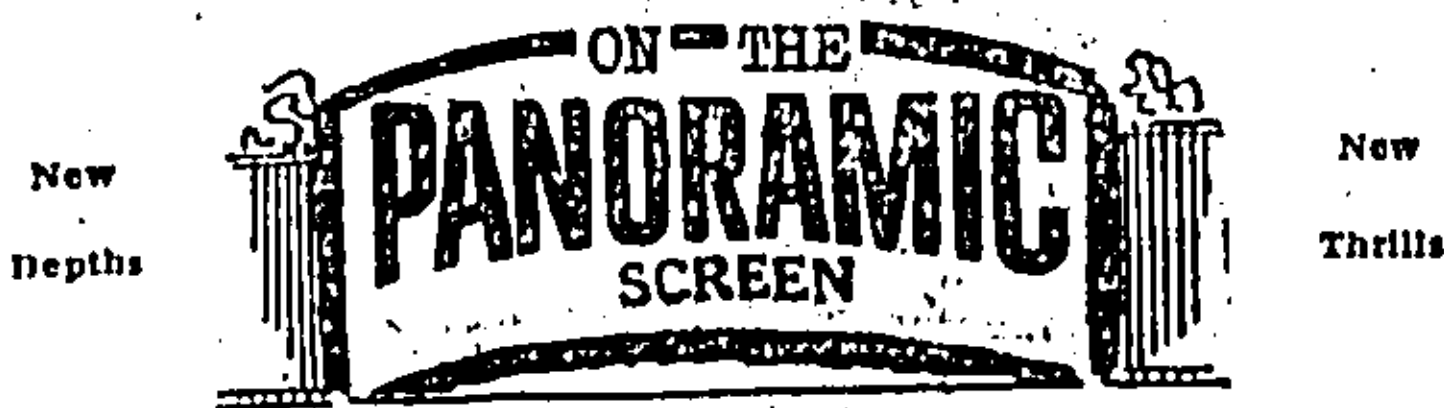
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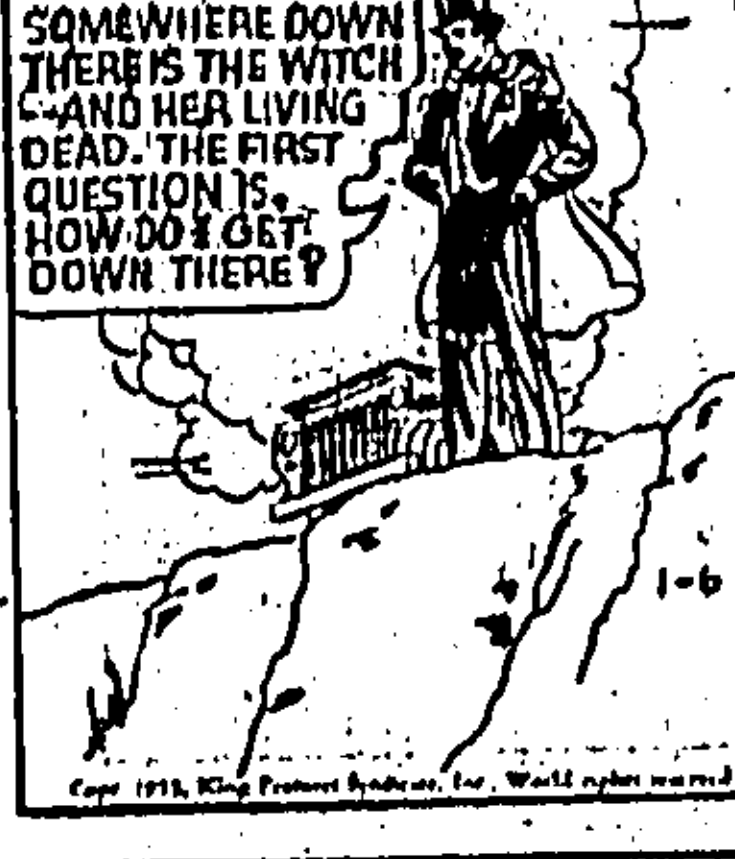
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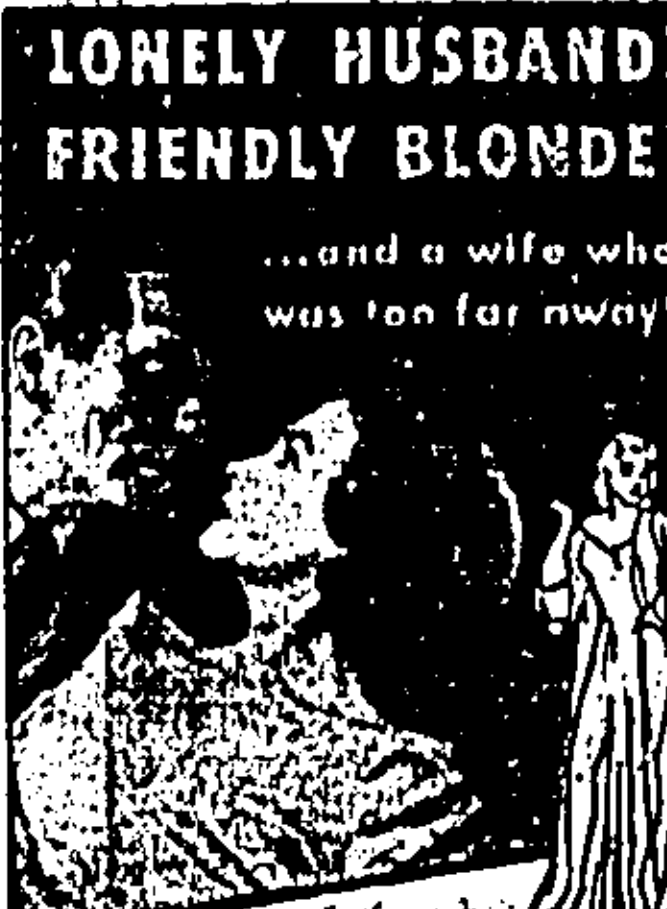
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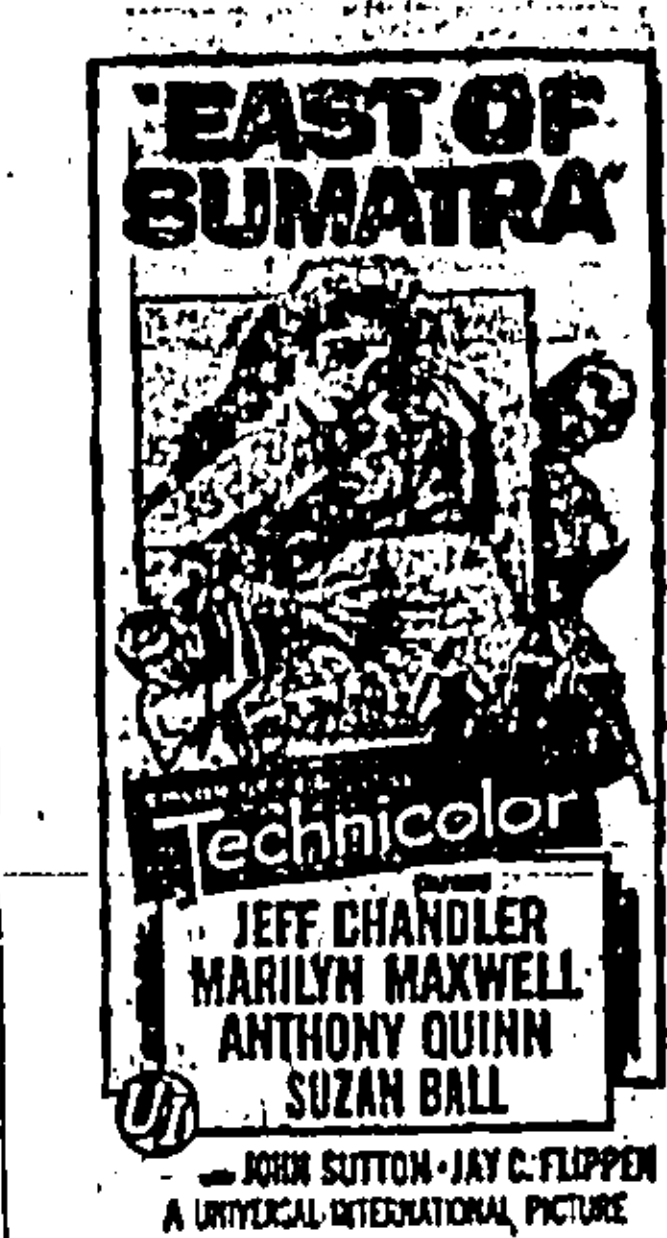
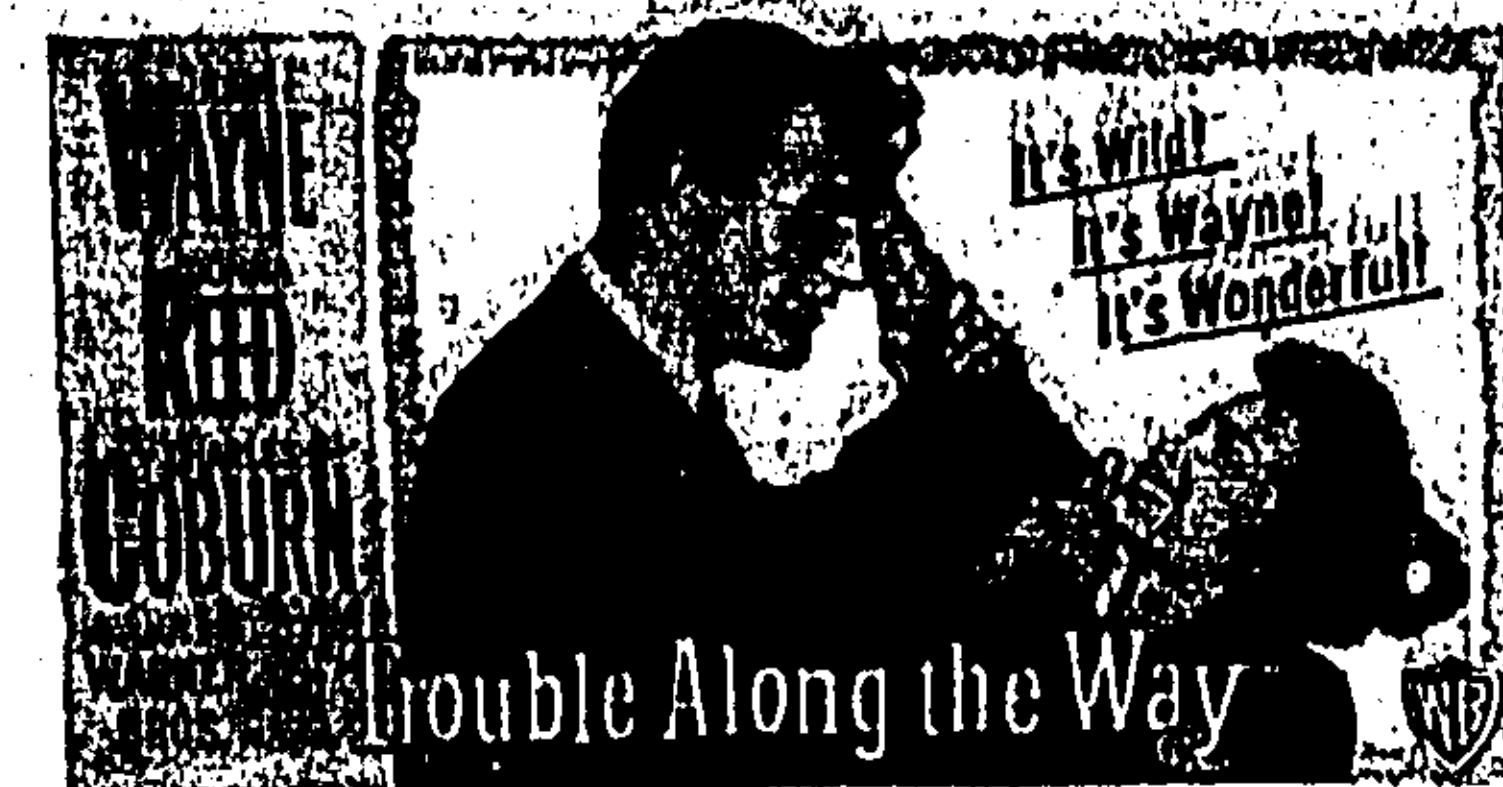
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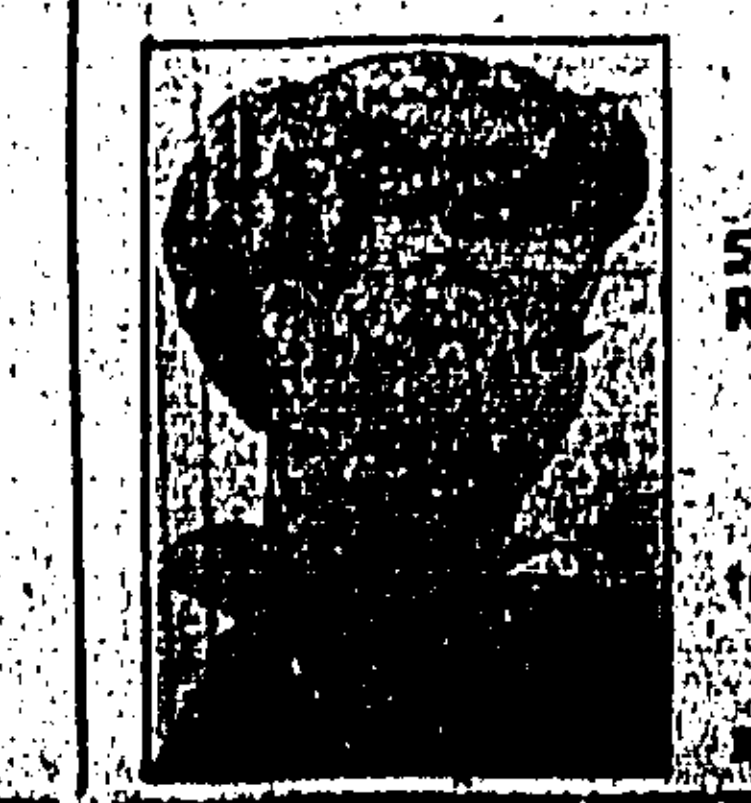
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HOMESIDE PICTORIAL



THE Lord Mayor of London, Sir Rupert de la Bere (extreme left), walks in procession to the Guildhall to preside over the installation of City Sheriffs. (Express)



FOR the first time since the summer, the French Embassy in Kensington Palace Gardens came to life when the Ambassador, M. Rene Massigli, gave a supper party in honour of Roland Petit's Ballet de Paris, now dancing in London. The Ambassador is here seen with Colette Marchand, the principal ballerina of the Company. (Express)

LEFT: Allan Schiller, 10-year-old Leeds school-boy pianist, who has been called by Sir John Barbirolli "the best thing I have heard in my career—and that began in 1911." He has played a Mozart concerto with the Halle Orchestra. (Express)



PRINCE and Princess Frederick of Prussia (left) are seen at the Savoy party for the Bavarian State Opera Company, now touring England. The party was given by the German Ambassador, Dr. Hans Schlags-Schoenungen. Princess Frederick wears an attractive deep red, off the shoulder cocktail gown. (Express)



MEMBERS of the Walter Gore Ballet Company, now at the Princess Theatre, London, are seen at rehearsal. In a scene from "Mr Punch" are, from left, Sylvia Briar as Dog Toby, Anne Lascelles as Mrs Punch and Jane Evans as Pretty Polly. (Express)



DR Charles Ray Goff, Pastor of the Chicago Temple, the world's tallest church, and Mrs Goff seen on arrival in London during a world tour. The church, which holds 2,000, is on the third floor of a 22-storey block of offices. It is a Methodist church, but the congregation includes all denominations. (Express)



MIKE LITHGOW's 29-year-old wife Doreen, with her six-year-old son Anthony and four-year-old daughter Philippa, pictured in the garden of their home after hearing the news that her husband had beaten the world speed record with a speed of 737.3 miles per hour. The record was set up in a Supermarine Swift jet fighter over Libya. (Express)



THE well-known author and politician, Sir Alan Herbert, held a dinner party at the Savoy to mark his birthday. Left to right: Captain Cuthbert Orde, the portrait painter, Sir Alan Herbert and Major Lloyd George, Food Minister. Front row: Mrs Orde, Lady Herbert and Mrs Lloyd George. (Express)



LONDON'S Pearly Kings and Queens, with their families, attend their annual Harvest Festival service at St Mary Magdalene's, Old Kent Road, London, S.E. (Express)



SEVENTEEN-YEAR-OLD Barry Riviere, a £4 a week London junior clerk, flies regularly to Amsterdam, Paris and the Channel Islands for week-ends. His secret—he works for British European Airways, and takes advantage of their 90 percent reduction for staff fares. A trip to Paris costs Barry only 25 shillings. (Express)

NANCY

Capital Punishment

By Ernie Bushmiller



Paris Newsletter

France's
'Madame Hillary'

By William Roland

Paris. THE highest woman in the world has come down to earth.

It was back to work for Madame Claude Kogan, a petite Frenchwoman of 34. And the snapshots that Madame Kogan had to show in her bathing costume factory at Nice were more spectacular than most.

For she has spent her holiday climbing the summit of Nung-Kun, 23,410ft. high and the second highest peak in the Central Himalayas. No woman has ever conquered a peak that high before.

This "Madame Hillary" of France did what three British expeditions failed to do. And she did it without oxygen after spending seven hours on the last 2,000 feet.

There were seven members of the French expedition on the mountain. Of the six men, five were too exhausted by a battle with an avalanche to go to the top. Claude went on up with a Swiss missionary named Vitor. "The last 100 yards were the worst," says Claude. "We had to cross a narrow bridge where the slightest mistake would start an avalanche. I was terribly thirsty because we had left our provisions behind to lighten the load."

Side by side

Just before they reached the summit the missionary said: "Go ahead and be the first there."

"But we found there was enough room to allow us to get to the top side by side. We collected stones to carry back to our companions."

Claude and her companions had some brandy before starting the final assault of the mountain. "We had a lot more to celebrate our success," she says.

In the streets of Nice Claude wears sports outfits, often trousers, never a hat.

'I like to explore'

She has no time to do any cooking, employs a housekeeper. When nerves get frayed with the worries of her business she goes off to ski in the mountains only two hours away.

"Why do I climb mountains like Nung-Kun?" she says. "Because I like to fight the elements. I like to explore and do things never done before."

Her blue eyes are already on next year's holiday. She thinks Alaska or the Rocky Mountains would make a nice change, or maybe Greenland. Somewhere difficult.

Girl from the Folies

HERE is a new version of working your way through college. Pretty 18-year-old Lillane Margolis, who goes £28 a month for parading at the Folies Bergere as one of a team of 12 marionettes, spends her days poring over medical books.

She is in her first year of training to be a doctor and she reckons it will be about seven years before she becomes a gynaecologist, which is her ambition. She has to appear every night of the week at the Folies and twice on Sundays.

Although her parents could not finance her studies they were at first strongly against her appearing in front of the footlights of Montmartre. They gave in when it became clear that getting a job at night was the only way she could go on with her career. Also, Lillane pointed out, she was not required to appear in the nude.

Lillane shares a one-room basement flat in the shadow of the Eiffel Tower with sister Anne, 22, who is one of the 17 pretty "hostesses" provided by the Paris Chamber of Commerce to help visitors.

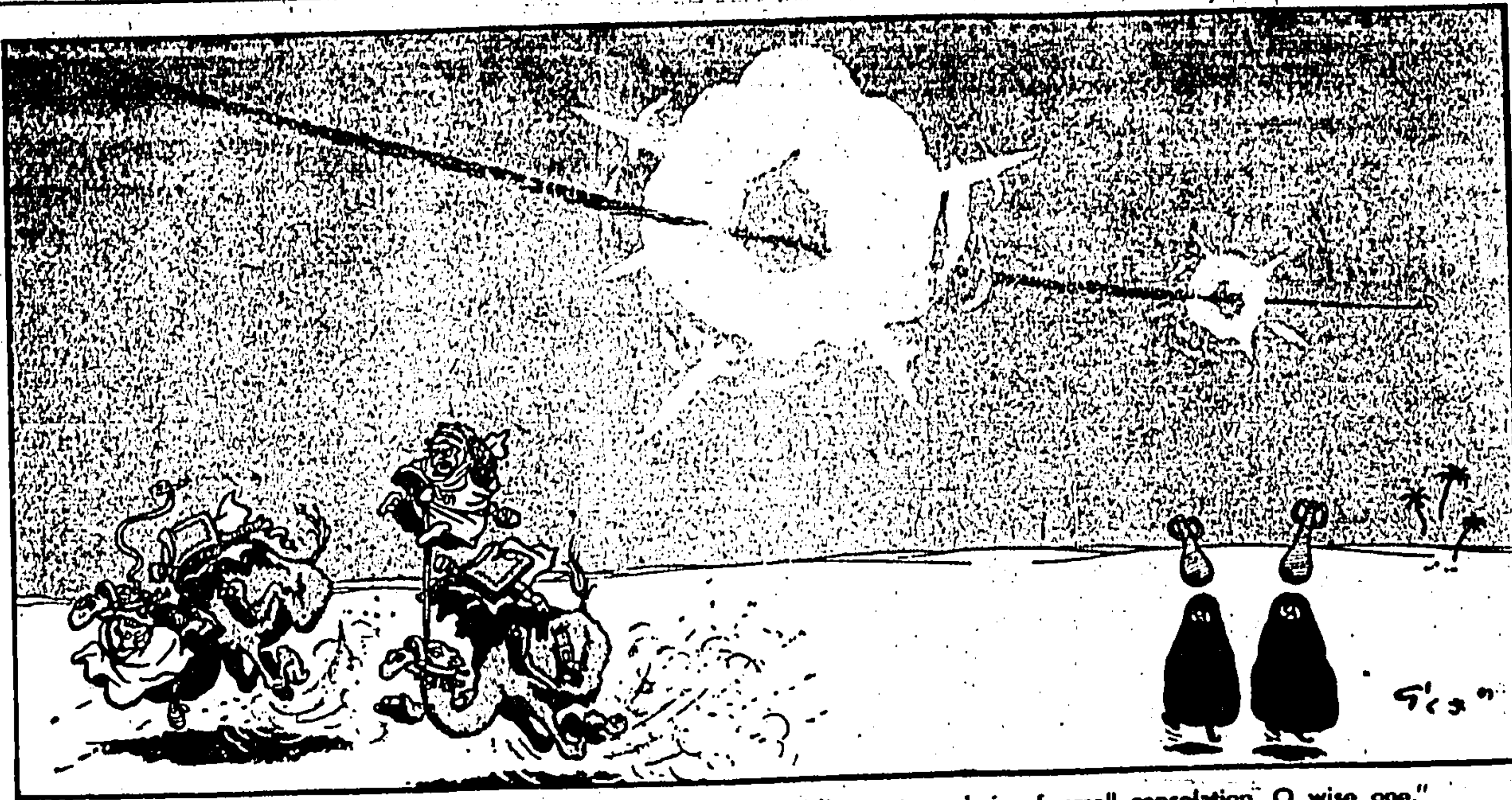
Says Anne: "There are hardly any tourists to help now. We stand about all day doing nothing. So I am trying to get a job as an air hostess."

Enter the cynics

PARISIANS who have been to see the film "The Cruel Sea," note a remarkable physical resemblance between Jack Hawkins and Prime Minister Lancel. Comment the cynics: They are alike in another way—they are both in charge of ships buffeted by the waves and in constant danger of being torpedoed.

Last stop

A HUGE stone motor-bus is the monument. M. Jules Delattre, "Valencienne" bus chief, has had built for himself in the local cemetery. His epitaph: "Terminus. Everybody gets out here."



"Telling me they will have bigger bangs than this in Australia next week is of small consolation," O wise one. London Express Service

In the city whose streets are salt
two devoted women seek converts in

THE CHAPEL OF THE
SPREADING LIGHT

By Allan Prior

THERE is in Hong-kong a separate little city of some ten thousand homes which lifts to meet the moon, grows larger or smaller with every hour, and where the streets are salt. It has doctors, many stores, a church that is well attended, and three main streets—and every home in it is aloft.



The Junk Church at Yau-mat

It is not generally looked upon as a city. Its name is Yau-mat Junk Shelter, and the homes are all junk, or sampans, moored in long, rigid rows that form the salt streets between—all behind the mile-long wall that protects them from harbour winds and swells.

These people make their living in two ways—by fishing and by carrying cargo between ship and shore. In the evenings, however, they return to their meetings, to the place they know as Home, where they have been born, where they marry, and where they will die. Here they live, love, fall or succeed, with no thought outside their work and this sheet of water.

Visiting the shelter from the land side—Pit Street, off Nathan Road—you see what looks like a forest of pines, stripped bare of branches, reaching out for half a mile.

Dancing Waters

At the bottom of one of the rows of steps that cover the wall here lurk myriad sampans waiting for "passengers." Half of them, and a woman with a family of four, or an old crone with astonishing energy, will propel you whether you will for a small fee, sufficient to keep her fed and happy for a couple of days at least.

You set off over the dancing waters, shouldering your way through traffic that knows no laws, and the harbour unfolds like a book before you in all its hectic, highly specialised life and range of water-borne industry. You bang into a hawk-sampan barging its way along, its owner intoning its wares, the chickens in the gaily painted coop in the back occasionally squawking an accompaniment.

You shoot suddenly into open water, and find you are in a salt street. On either side the huge old junk stretch, their immemorial shapes riding proudly, rock-like, on the water, conscious of a thousand years without change.

Then, if you like, you can go to church.

If you go on a Sunday, it should be easy for you to join in—and you will be welcome. On other days, the services are not for all; they are confined to old junks, stretch, their immemorial shapes riding proudly, rock-like, on the water, conscious of a thousand years without change.

The church was once a ferry-boat; it ran from Canton to

Tsing Yuen. The Oriental Boat Mission bought it, and since then it has served—God, riding at anchor.

A few months before the Communists took over Canton the church had to flee to survive. It went down the waterways southwards, then to sea, and finally to Hongkong. Many in Canton were the sadder for its departure, like a ghost in the night, but it has brought the Word to the water: people of Yau-mat—the Word and a new hope.

"The Chapel of the Spreading Light" it is called, and it rides at anchor in the centre of the shelter, where its iron bell can clang its message round the water to the furthest line of boats, and call the followers of Christ to prayer.

Inside, the nooks of the world are not excluded, like churches built hundreds of years ago of flint and granite. The lines are simple, plain and pure, bringing quiet to the heart, in the hectic whirl of shelter life, the life which the worshippers live. For if you are poor you cannot stay still, you cannot contemplate, because tomorrow's hunger is too near.

Chinese Hymns

The "Chapel of the Spreading Light" is run by two devoted women, Miss Anne Heppner and Miss Stephanie Czochovitch, one from Canada and the other from America. Both are from the same continent where warm hearts abide and which, since the Puritan Fathers fled from intolerant England to keep their faith, has cherished spiritual values with a fierce pride.

These two have left their native lands, their friends and the money they might have earned in comfort to come here, where they are rich because they have given and are giving so much.

The hymns are sung in Chinese, which makes them unintelligible to the singers, for the Chinese times play havoc with the speaking tones of the language upon which the meaning so much depends. But it does not matter; they know the

chants them. They are beginning to reap their reward, for people now know them well, and converts are becoming a little easier to find. The school helps this part of the work, too.

But all the same the great majority of the shelter's vitality is spent in the old, perhaps wasteful ways. They still draw money and food into the water for the spirits, and spend thousands of hard-earned dollars on religious observances. A bridegroom can still spend the rest of his life paying off the expenses of his wedding. Most of the marriages are blind marriages, and junks count for far more than love.

Practically all the shelter's needs are supplied by the people who dwell there. There are fire-wood shops, fresh-water sampans, hawkers-sampans, huge floating general stores that sell everything including pictures of Clark Gable, dry-docks—where the sampans and even some of the smaller junks are hauled up a wooden ramp on to a raft to be scraped and repaired, restaurants, hairdressers, massage-places, sail-makers—all aloft, all serving the junk shelter only.

Two Doctors

There are two doctors, a man and a woman. The man, is the chief doctor of the place and although not qualified by Western standards, being only an expert herbalist and dietician, has learnt by experience to treat everything and anything, from broken bones and decayed teeth to typhus. He has a blue-painted junk not very far from the church, with rows of steps in front, and a waiting-room decorated with college photographs. There is always a queue outside his door.

The junk people have always been self-contained; even in race they are apart, many coming from aboriginal stock. This shows in their wide, bony faces and wide, white grins, replete. But they are grateful for "prep" and swallow their books earnestly.

The two ladies seldom make single converts; they make them by families or not at all. It is impossible for a member of a family to become a Christian on his own, for besides incurring the displeasure of the head of the family he would be immediately and automatically out of everything—and that, for these people, is the height of misery. But if the head of a family becomes a Christian—there are more than a few clementine church-goers.

Long Wedding

They seldom marry shore people and most of their marriages are arranged by a matchmaker who lives near the sea wall. A young man goes and sees this matchmaker himself, telling her the kind of girl he wants to marry, and stating in optimistic terms his fortunes and prospects. A description of himself is left with the matchmaker, for her, but only if she expresses the wish to marry. All junk girls express the wish to marry. Then if all parties agree the match is "on."

The wedding is usually a tremendous affair, lasting longer

than most of the guests do and is fantastically expensive when compared to the incomes of the families concerned. But "face" counts more than money....

So the life of the shelter goes on. Clark Gable mingling with blind marriages, rubber shoes with wine—for the ancestors, electric light with joss-sticks burning in the prow—accepting anything, changing hardly at all, but for the influence of the Church in the middle, slowly sending out the rays of a new philosophy.

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TODAY, a watch that tells the date, as well as the time, is as much the normal equipment of the progressive man as the fountain pen or the telephone. Indeed, it is almost as important to have the date at your fingertips—or, more specifically, on your wrist—as it is to have the correct time. But hitherto calendar watches have been beyond the reach of most people. Now, however, there is the Rolex Oysterdate—a magnificent watch that tells the time, and the date, and which is not an extravagance.

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EILEEN ASCROFT seizes on a men's fashion point—and gives them a low score. But, judging from the pictures here—not all of them Englishmen—men at least go in for variety.

**They talk about women—but
what freaks MEN can look**

SPORTS CAP
Earl of Dalkeith.GREY TOPPER
Duke of Norfolk.

THE battered, greasy relic that the average Englishman calls his hat is an insult to himself, the woman he escorts, and the British hat industry.

Oh, for the days when a man's hat was a fashion piece in velvet decked with jewels and feathers. Then it did something for his appearance, made him look elegant and dashing.

Today when you meet a well-tailored man, with nicely-chosen tie, good shoes and accessories, the whole effect is often ruined when he reaches for his crumpled trilby and sets it on his head at the least attractive angle.

IN THE QUEUE

Study the average bus queue in the evenings or the crowds on the main stations. Smartly hatted men can be counted on one hand. Usual headgear is an old trilby, that has not seen a clothes-brush or cleaning fluid for months and has probably never been back for reshaping.

One of the most exclusive of London hatiers tells me that his foreign customers take far more care over choosing their hats than Englishmen.

Fashion in men's hats change slowly. Most popular style is still the soft snap brim trilby of prewar days. A man who looks good in this headgear is cricketer Sir DON BRADMAN. Coming back into popularity is the bowler—not the smooth variety of prewar business men,

but a shaggy variety known as the Coke hat.

This smartest of all town headwear was introduced by William Coke, in 1840. He was the nephew of the first Earl of Leicester, and Mr Bowler was the craftsman who designed the prototype.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. R. A. BUTLER, looks well in a bowler hat. The second right type of town hat is the Homburg. Introduced by Foreign Secretary ANTHONY EDEN about 20 years ago. It is still first favourite with politicians, writers and the legal profession. The Home Secretary, SIR DAVID MAXWELL FYFE, looks smart in one.

Soft hats in town are not so elegant. Although in a recent hat poll, in various other parts of the country, women voted it their most popular hat for men, it is not smart enough for London wear. It is usually chosen by the eccentric or the unconventional. Two wearers are producer, SIR MICHAEL BALCON and Mr DEREK CURTIS-BENNETT, QC.

Pork pie hats, I am told, are out of fashion. But I can think of one man who still wears them: Surgeon REX MONEY, from Sydney, whose first mission on arriving in London recently was to buy himself two pork pies, one in brown and one in green.

Replacing the old pork pie are several types of informal hat, such as the deerstalker or the tweed sports cap made to match a tweed suit, which the EARL OF DALKEITH sports in the country.

THE TOPPER

Men's hat shops report that the sale of beards has gone up since the war, when soldiers became used to their comfort. Artists like them, too. AUGUSTUS JOHN frequently wears one when cycling round Chelsea.

Another male hat fashion that is nearly dead is the black top hat. Only SIR WILLIAM DARLING, in the House of Commons, wears one regularly to work.

Most men have ceased to use them, even on formal occasions. They prefer a black homburg or bare head.

One reason for this is the difficulty of obtaining a black silk hat these days. The plush comes from France and each hat is hand-sewn. Apprenticeship is from five to six years and skilled craftspeople are now few.

The grey-topper is still worn for Ascot and weddings, and very gracious it looks, too. There is no man too old, too fat, too ugly, or too bald who is not improved by this symbol of dignity. One of the best-looking of the grey-topper brigade is the Earl Marshall, the DUKE OF NORFOLK.

PALE CLOUD...

Unusual style of headgear is adopted by conductor SIR JOHN BARBIROLLI, who wears a Stetson. Another unusual type is the square-crowned Derby. Sir Winston Churchill still adopts one, but he must be the only wearer today.

Men may laugh at women's hat fables. But remember that men pay 40s. for a soft felt nowadays and £3 5s. for a bowler or Homburg. And just look at the names of their colours... smoke pearl, gull grey, glauc green, vintage wine, blue bottle, pale cloud and Madeira red.

When they pay so much for their hats and have the choice of so many exotic colours, why, oh why, do men show so little taste? Is it too much to expect them to cover their heads with something which will not make their wives feel ashamed?

THE STETSON
Sir John Barbirolli.

THE CREW-CUT INVASION

By Les Armour

London. Britons, viewing American statistics, are amazed to find that 10 percent of the American population has been to a university. For, in Britain less than three percent attend, and the prevailing opinion is that greater numbers must lead to lower standards.

They are staggered, too, to discover that four years at an American or Canadian university inevitably involves delving into five or six academic subjects against two or in rare cases, three, in Britain. Surely, the result must be scant knowledge of anything, they feel.

For these were Senator Fulbright's men—the cream of America's university crop; top men from every state in the union and every major university in the country. And they made their presence felt.

The British undergraduate moves quietly, waits patiently for the mysteries of the academic world to unfold themselves, and seldom speaks unless spoken to. The American asks questions, talks to as many people as he can. Moreover, he talks so earnestly that his voice is apt to boom down the echoing corridors of Britain's ancient halls of learning.

That, of course, is not to imply that the invaders were not welcome. Since Congress appropriated the money for the project in 1946, the Fulbrighters have been making a name for themselves in almost every field and at all levels—from undergraduate to professorial.

Thick Book

Universities go out of their way to attract them and British students would be sorely disappointed if the flow came to an end.

And, in nine years, the thick book which records these Americans' impressions at Fulbright headquarters on London's Upper Brook Street has become a penetrating running commentary on British education.

More important, the students have almost completely destroyed the once-prevailing opinion that university education in North America is dull and second-rate.

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Point Proved

The Americans, needless to say, look at the first two problems the other way around and see no reason why Wyoming should be devoid of culture.

Thanks to Senator Fulbright and his allies, they have been proving their point. A visit to a post-graduate seminar is sufficient to dispel any illusions to the contrary.

The American is certainly less conversant with the rarified detail of his subject but, in discussions where a broad acquaintance with allied subjects can be brought to bear, he more than holds his own.

Oddly enough, despite the formalized character of American university education, where lectures are compulsory and examinations unending, the Fulbrighters have appeared at their best in British post-graduate schools where the student is left free to research and study as he pleases and where examinations are non-existent.

But the conclusion of the thick book on Upper Brook Street is simple and straightforward: there is much to be said for both and, what is needed, is not a reduction of one system to the other but a greater opportunity for students to enjoy both.

RENE MacCOLL TAKES HIS NOTEBOOK ON A WORLD TOUR... IN LONDON

COMRADE Z EARNs (and gets) A BACK-SLAP

TWO vastly contrasting personalities—one low-the other high-keyed—were provided by my week-end. The quiet man hailed from Soviet Russia; the incandescent ego from Lebanon. Let's start with the gentle Russian job.

The rain was starting on the Sunday afternoon as we film lovers trooped into the National Film Theatre, that defiant little holdover from the E. of B., there on the South Bank, for a special showing of Russian films.

The occasion arises out of the International Scientific Film Congress, which has just been meeting in London; and its president, red-faced, white-haired, John Madison, marches down the aisle and mounts the rostrum, with chief Russian delegate and ace documentary film producer Alexander Zguridi in tow.

Zguridi is a short, impassive-looking chap. Every time he is applauded, which is fairly often, he nods, mandarin-style unsmilingly. He wears an off-red tie, an inconspicuous grey suit, and practically no expression on his sallow face.

We are to see a film about the Nikitai Khrushchev, down near Yalta—a sort of

Kew-by-the-Black-Sea—"The Universe; a new astronomical film"; "The Opening of the Volga-Don Canal," all in colour, and (the main dish) "Life in the Arctic" a film directed by none other than our guest of the afternoon, Alexander Zguridi.

Comrade Z. launches on a longish preamble in Russian, which is painstakingly translated by an earnest, bespectacled young man. Only light relief during this period is when Comrade Z. makes some modest reference to "having had a little something to do with the making of 'Life in the Arctic,'" whereat Mr Madison hauls off and playfully smacks him on the back, taking him rather evidently by surprise; and when the interpreter says that Zguridi's unit "spent two hours making this film in the frozen North," when what he really means is "two years."

After a slow start, with innumerable shots of Arctic fish, crabs, etc., Zguridi's own film about the frozen North turns out very well indeed. The main theme is of the growth and development of a most engaging Polar bear cub, and the photography here is of a high order.

As Zguridi himself put it, in his preliminary remarks, "Dear Friends, we would feel so glad if after this film is over we could look into the eyes of our friends and hear them say,

"Dear Friend, your work was not a failure." Count me in on that, Friend Alex—your work was most certainly not a failure....

Now the scene shifts to the private room of a quietly fashionable West End hotel, where that jet-propelled Lebanese man of Big Business and Bigger Politics, Emile Bustani, is crunching his amber beads around in his hand, and talking faster than a used-car salesman who suspects that his prospective customer may know the difference between a big end and a carburettor.

Bustani, whose personal fortune has so many zeros tacked on to the end of the total that it resembles a series of thermometer readings taken at the North Pole by Comrade Zguridi, is here on a fairly blatant, high-pressure "lobbying" job for Naguib of Egypt.

While the British guests, who include John Foster, Under-Secretary for the Dominions, William Deedes, Tory M.P. for Ashford, and a few other parliamentary representatives, stand around amid the champagne cocktails, Bustani tells us not to be so silly.

"Why let the whole thing fall down merely because of some clothes?" he asks, all sweet and sweetish reasonableness. (He means why don't we give up

our "old-fashioned" notion of having the technicians, whom we shall leave behind when we pull out of the Suez base, wear British uniforms.) He has dark, intensely lively eyes. He is, in fact, a radiant, immensely friendly, general appearance, clothes included, is that of a man you would meet a score of in any city block on Miami Beach during winter, the season.

Get out of the Suez Canal Zone at once and stop "quibbling" about "the clothes your men wear." Sell or give the Arab States all the arms they ask for. "Then you will find that trade agreements will follow swiftly." (A nudge.) "You must be swift to forestall the Germans, who are making a comeback."

Hmm. What about Israel, once the Arabs have procured all these new weapons? Bustani, smiling all over, tells a homely parable. "Look, when I was a little boy at school, I got a most fearful licking one day from a bigger, stronger boy. I went away and for months on end I did gymnastics and developed huge muscles and learned how to punch."

"Then I went back and sought out the bully. But suddenly I realized that I was now the strong one and he the weakling. So I was thankful. There was no new fight."

Hmm again. And the lion shall lie down with the lamb, O Bustani!

JOHNNY HAZARD



By Frank Robbins



...this situation
calls for a
San Miguel

WEEK-END WOMANSENSE

SHOULD LATE RISERS SKIP BREAKFAST?

By Ida Jean Kain

BREAKFAST is an important meal in weight control. But in my enthusiasm for a good breakfast, I seem to have completely overlooked the problem of the late riser. Some of you wonder if you should eat a full meal in the middle of the morning with lunch-time so near.

The type of breakfast needed may depend partly on your schedule, but more important on your present food habits. For you career girls whose business day begins later in the morning than usual, with luncheon conferences scheduled frequently, perhaps fruit juice and coffee on rising will suffice. The test is... do you eat an energy-sustaining lunch, with emphasis on the protective foods, that would give you the same benefits as a good breakfast? What counts is regularity of eating, coupled with good food habits.

Fruit Juice And Coffee

The problem of the home-maker is about the same. For those of you whose families are grown, leaving you more leisure to sleep late and go to luncheon several times a week, fruit juice and coffee will suffice too, provided you are not tempted to overeat on party type foods which are always calorie heavy. The crux of the matter is this: Many of you slight breakfast and imagine that you go very light on calories. On the contrary, you have more calories in toast, sweet buns or doughnuts than you would have in fruit juice, eggs, a thin slice of toast, and coffee. This "light" breakfast spoils your appetite for the protective foods at lunch, and again you eat calorie high foods which neither afford good nutrition

nor stick to the ribs, so you piecemeal, perhaps all afternoon. You get more than your share of calories, but without the essential nutrients. Malnutrition is the most common cause of overweight.

You late risers, whatever your schedule, have a better chance of controlling your weight if you do not slight the protective foods, overeat on fattening foods or habitually eat between meals. If skipping breakfast leaves you ravenously hungry and tempts you to overeat at lunch on high calorie foods, you'd be far better off to have an egg, fruit juice and coffee in the morning even though you get up late.

And for the scheduled eight-hour-a-day worker, there is no doubt that a morning meal makes for a better day. A breakfast including an egg, meat, or milk sustains energy, prevents fatigue, and increases mental alertness. And this holds true regardless of whether or not you have an appetite for breakfast. Appetite in the morning is largely habit.

ODD FACTS

The recent birth of a daughter on a Monday, gave a couple in the United States a full week of daughters: their eldest daughter, 8, was born on a Tuesday; a 7-year-old, on a Wednesday; a 6-year-old on a Thursday; a 5-year-old on a Friday; a 2-year-old on a Saturday, and a 3-year-old on a Sunday.

In a recent divorce case in Michigan, a woman stated that she had been living apart from her husband for several years because he insisted on spending his entire pay cheque on food for his 10,000 earthworms.



At right: An olive green pile cloth coat, trimmed with a fox fur collar. It is one of the new Autumn styles shown at a London fashion parade. The striped hat is trimmed with a pheasant's feather. The model is Jonnie Johnson.

At left: A fitted wool and mohair coat in the new mushroom shade. Wearing it is the model Miss Sylvia Basky.

VOGUE FOR CONTRASTING EDGING ON JACKETS

By DOROTHY BARKLEY

LONDON. THERE is always a feeling of bewilderment in the audience at fur shows. As the luxurious mink coats glide past was that price, we wonder, £200 or £2,000?

Most expensive item in the show given recently by a London furrier was also the smallest. It was an evening bolero-stole in a new shade of mink, "star sapphire". Price? Just £2,000.

Making its first appearance among mink, sable, ocelot and other long-established skins was Australian opossum, dyed champagne colour. It is a good fur for a country coat for its tough and hard-wearing.

Furriers are normally wary of fashion. And no wonder. No one is going to pay £2,000 for a mink in the latest "tulip line" if it's going to be out of date by next year. But the recent collection proved that new details which will not date can be

added unobtrusively to the nutria, edged with ribbing to classic styles. Sleeves are now matched to the dress. Suits and dresses worn by Dolman rather than square-set. Suits and dresses worn by gathered into a narrow waist from Charles Creed's new collection. Suit jackets had pushed up to the elbow. Several raglan sleeves, double-breasted in front with fullness swept to the back where it fell in soft folds ruffled. Dresses were stem slim and had tab fastenings, the customary Creed trademark.

Favourite material—iron grey worsted spun with a silvery-white thread. Favourite colour scheme—dark egg blue with forest green. The green was for a dress with a low V-front; the blue, for its silk cravat. Hats worn by the models emphasised the current vogue for suede as a millinery material. There was white suede for a swathed turban, shocking pink suede for a half-hat worn tipped over the forehead.

Leather is trying to win back ground lost to plastic. An exhibition at the Festival Hall illustrates the way it is doing so. The main selling line seems to be that, though leather is not as cheap as plastic, it wears

Does Your Nose Get Shiny?

PUTTING a dull finish on a shiny nose has been the beauty duty of millions of women for goodness knows how many centuries. Dabbling with a powder puff gives only temporary relief, however.

Oily skin is that way because the sebaceous glands don't know when to stop working. The reason for this is a matter of diet. Eat too much fatty food and glands go on a rampage. Drink fruit juices, eat more vegetables, drink plenty of water and your complexion may become normal.

Local treatment is also necessary. Give your face a soap-and-water washing twice a day. Rinse away with warm water, then with cold. Finally, apply an astringent. There are alicia that are compounded especially for faces that look as if they had been buttered.

Lightly Does It
Powder should be of light consistency and should be applied lightly.

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By HELEN FOLLETT

NAIL troubles are often caused by neglect or some physical condition that is not normal.

Healthy nails bespeak vitality. Beautifully groomed nails testify to a fastidious nature. Nails that are brittle and break easily may be due to a diet deficiency—not enough protein or calcium, maybe a vitamin deficiency.

Cuticle creams will help brittle nails. To be truly effective they should be frictioned into the flesh at the base of the nails. Just spreading on a light film isn't enough. This lubricating treatment nourishes the matrix in which the new growth is forming, pushing forth in tiny overlapping scales. It takes about five months for the nail fabric to extend from the matrix to the care.

Cold water, harsh soaps and your nails are enemies. While even cold weather will have a you're-better-protected

bad effect upon the nails. If you are a housewife, be fussy about the soap you use. Harsh soap will raise the cuticles with pretty hands.

Let us hope that you keep a supply of hand lotion where it will constantly rebuke you if you do not use it. It should be applied all the year round. Now and then supplement this treatment by giving your hands a creamy massage. Work hard on your knuckles where little lines form if you do heavy work. And give your elbows a few whacks while you are about it. Elbows, and to say, are often neglected. In all too many cases, they look it—rough, red, unattractive!

As for manicuring, it's a once-a-week beauty chore. Don't complain that you can't find the time because you can't spend about three hours you can't find the time. You can't find the time. You can't find the time. You can't find the time.

Spectacle Hats With Rhinestone Eyebrows

By GAY PAULEY

JEWELLED back-scratchers and ermine knee-warmers to protect the girl wearing the new Dior hemline are just a couple of the wild and whimsical fashions available this season.

Or, maybe it's a tweed middle for hubby the woman is shopping for. Or a mink and velvet evening wrap for the family dog.

These knee-warmers are from the New York, designer, Mr. John, who specializes in hats. He ran 'em up, he said, for the cold-weather protection of women who shorten their skirts as advocated by the Paris designer, Christian Dior.

The knee-warmers are about eight inches long and slip around the kneecap. In ermine, they're about \$280 per pair; mink about \$180; nutria a mere \$95. And the ones the designer makes in plain ordinary wool, kelsey are around \$18.

Spectacle Hats
A Manhattan specialty store (Lord and Taylor) is featuring the back-scratchers which look like an upturned fork. For \$7 you can have your choice of white kid with jet beading, or

gold and silver with rhinestone and pearl decorations.

This same store is selling jewelled fly-swatters for the third season, and to its collection of the fantastic this autumn has added jewelled pet-holders and mitts, hats that are worn as spectacles, pearl and jet necklaces with fur trim, large loop earrings attached to hair ribbons, and skirts with artificial bouquets streaming down the front.

Strange Veils

Those eyelash hats actually look like a pair of spectacles from a distance. The wide frames are either of black or red velvet or felt and decorated with flowers. The "lenses" are veils.

Many strange things have happened to veils this autumn. Mr. John has created one with rhinestone eyebrows, and another that fits over the head like a feeding tube. A drawstring bottom so a woman can adjust the hood to fit.

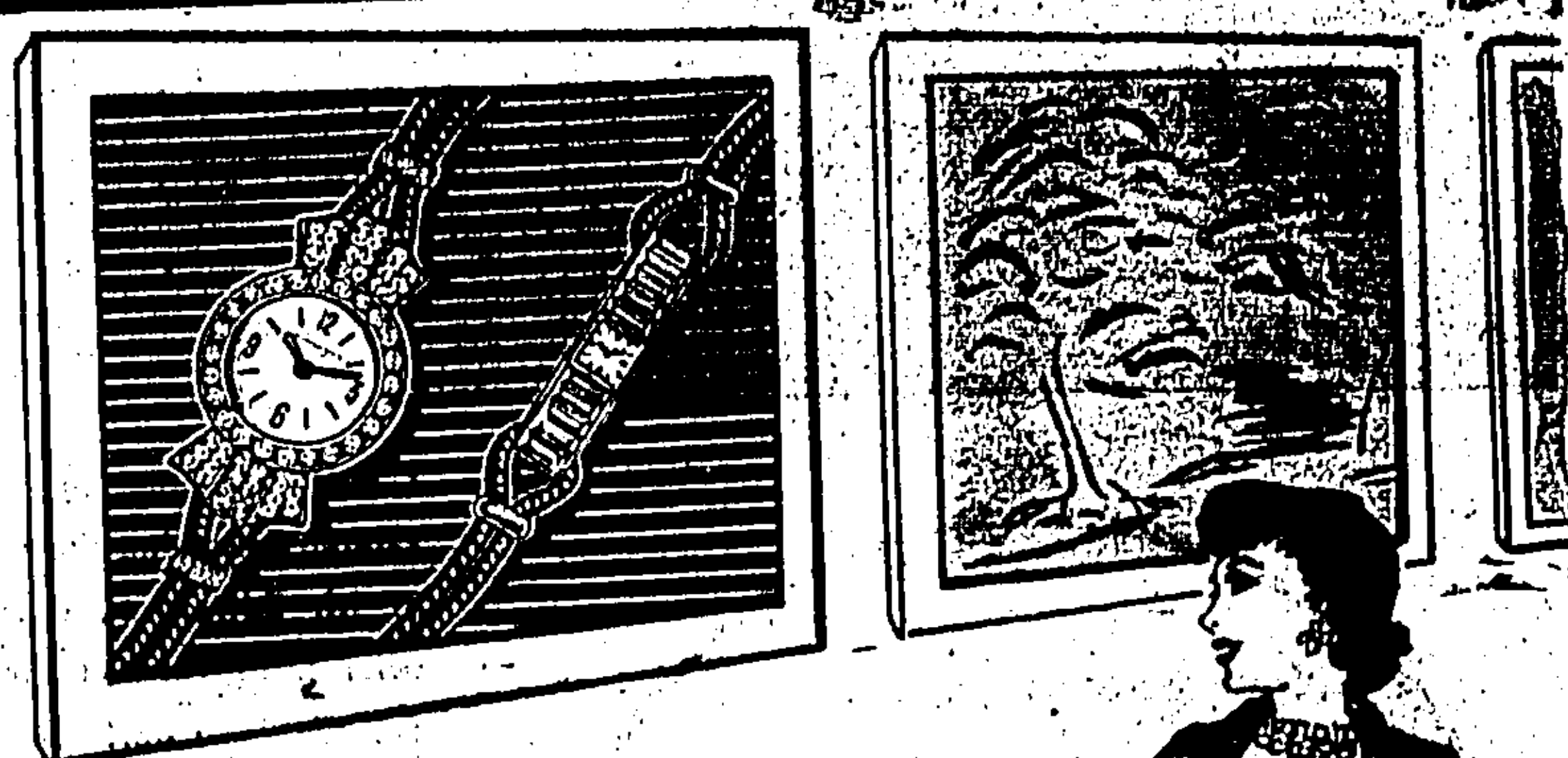
peek through, and attached jewelled eyelashes to the top of the oval.

It is an unofficial race between Zita and Mr. John to see which can produce the most fantastic fashions. Zita, who helped put women in fancy evening pants last year, now has turned to knickers, the same type of baggy pants sported by Pop in the 1920's.

Her knickers, for women only, are of solid coloured wool, velvet and satin, or of candy-striped corduroy, in red and black or black and white. The middles for men are of bold patterned tweed or grey flannel.

Zita said the latest in daytime wear for dogs is a hand-knit sweater, with turtle neck, ornamented with pearls and metallic thread. For evening, she made dog coats of black velvet with a Peter Pan collar of white mink.

Also available this season are red-pink hooded raincoats for pups, dog umbrellas and Alpine caps, women's companions of mink and metal and, lastly, with the top wearing a mink hat, a dog's head in a mink hat, and a dog's head in a mink hat.



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LAST Saturday, His Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, made the journey to Waglan Island to inspect the lighthouse and other installations there. He was accompanied by a large party of press representatives. The Governor is seen in these pictures looking out to a distant point through the telescope, examining the three old cannons on the island and being shown the million candlepower light which throws a beam 21 miles out to sea. Pointing to the light and shaking hands with His Excellency is Mr H. C. Brown, acting Superintendent of Lights. (Staff Photographer)



THE Kowloon YMCA Division of the St John Ambulance Brigade, who last Sunday won the Trevor Shield and Melbourne Cup for the best unit on the Mainland. (Willie's)

RIGHT: The Malayan Association gave a cocktail party last week in honour of the Hon. Tan Chin-tuan, Managing Director of the Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation, and a Member of the Executive and Legislative Councils of Singapore. Mr Tan (centre) is seen in conversation with Dr Lee Hah-long (left) and Mr Booy Kok-keng, President of the Association. (Staff Photographer)



GROUP outside St Joseph's Church following the wedding of Mr Edward F. Dixon and Miss Margaret O'Carroll last Saturday. (Staff Photographer)



SIR Robert Ho Tung shaking hands with Mr. Ho Seen-hang, Chairman of the Hang Seng Bank, Ltd., at the opening of the Bank's new building on Monday. (Staff Photographer)

LEFT: Piercy House won the Diocesan Boys' School swimming shield for the second successive year when the school's annual aquatic meet took place at the European Y.M.C.A. on Tuesday. Pictured are Senior, Middle and Junior members of the champion House. (Staff Photographer)



THE Chief Warden of the Civil Aid Services, Lt-Col. H. Owen Hughes, inspecting Wardens who took part in a public demonstration last Sunday of firefighting, bomb disposal and rescue work. The demonstration was given in the Taikoo Dock district. (Staff Photographer)



MR Arnold Mononutu, Indonesia's first Ambassador to Peking, snapped on board the liner Tjiluwah on his arrival here on Tuesday. The 55-year-old bachelor envoy will leave for Peking early next week. (Staff Photographer)



HONGKONG'S talented 18-year-old pianist, Viacheslav Atroshepko, left for Australia by plane last week to continue his studies at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music. He travelled with his mother and baby sister. Mrs H. Ryloff (on the right) saw them off at Kai Tak.



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THE crowds that attended the St John's Cathedral Michaelmas Fair at Murray Parade Ground last Saturday had plenty of fun whilst contributing to a worthy cause. The three pictures here show typical scenes. The pipers above belong to the 1st Battalion, Royal Ulster Rifles. (Staff Photographer)



GROUP picture taken on Wednesday evening at the Princess Garden Restaurant when the Christ Church Youth Fellowship gave a farewell dinner in honour of the Vicar, the Rev. C. P. Smith, and Mrs Smith, who are leaving Hongkong. (Staff Photographer)



ON Sunday last, little James Hagen Edwins, son of Mr and Mrs D. C. Edwins, was christened at his parents' home. Mr Edwins is manager of North-west Air Lines. (Mayfair)



At the British Army Aid Group reunion dinner held at the Tai Tung Restaurant on Wednesday. From left: Mr Francis Lee, Col. L. T. Rido, founder and Commandant of the wartime unit, Col. J. D. Clague and Mr Wilkie Wu. (Terry)



LADY GRANTHAM watching students of the Ho Tung Girls' Primary School at work during her visit to the School on Monday. (Staff Photographer)

LEFT: The Hon. B.C.K. Hawkins, acting Secretary for Chinese Affairs, speaking at a tea party for Miss Wei Mo-fang, Child Welfare (Registration) Officer, who is retiring from government service. (Mayfair)

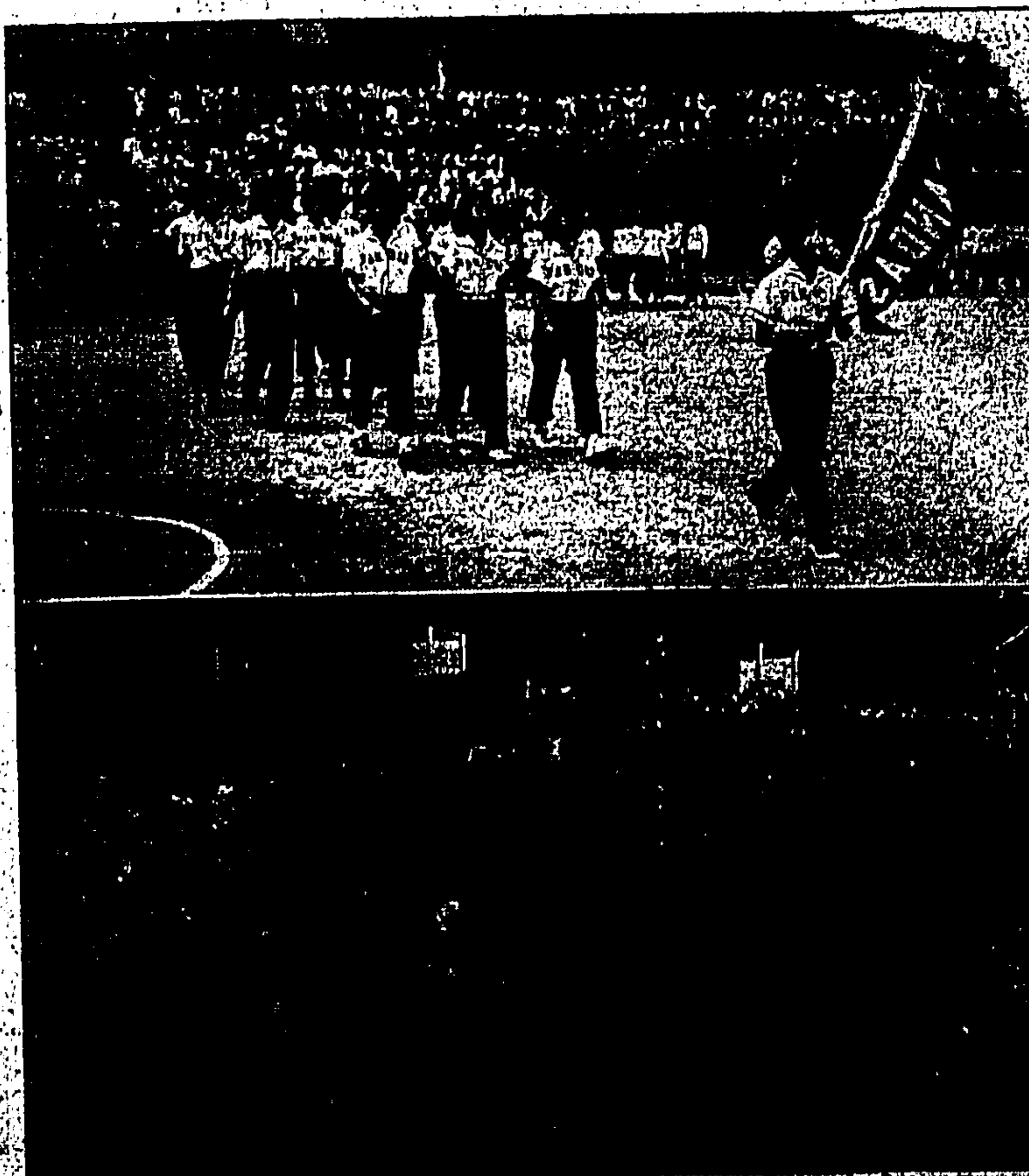
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THE softball season officially opened last Sunday at King's Park, when the Hon. Michael W. Turner pitched the first ball. Here the Pandas are seen leading the grand parade of 19 teams. Below: Two of the girls' teams in action. (Staff Photographer)

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HOUSEWORK AND A MAN'S EGO

—Does Nature Agree With His Role of Housewife-Man? Phyllis Digby Morton Provides An Interesting Answer.

GEORGE ELIOT, who was quite a girl for speaking her mind, referred to man as being "like a cock who thought the sun had risen to hear him crow." Today this noise goes on from dawn to midnight.

Encouraged to air opinions on any and everything feminine, the man crowd of their own efficiency, self-sufficiency and ability as good housewives.

During the past few weeks I have watched men cooking, decorating a baby's cot, doing a flower-piece, embroidering an elaborate gross-point chair cover. I have listened to the masculine point of view on baby-care, a plan for better housekeeping and how to turn out a room by an ex-Naval officer.

THEY BOAST

NOW all this strikes me as very strange. Never before in history have men attempted the role of housewife. Today countless men boast about it and so do their wives.

Fifty years ago a man's pride would see him dead rather than washing the dishes or doing the shopping. The implication being that if he did these jobs he would be thought a man not strong enough to control his household. What brought about the change?

The emancipation of women at the beginning of the century turned the feet of the men toward the kitchen. Women went out to work—often doing the same job and working the same hours as men, so it became only reasonable for the man to tend a hand in the house.

Social opinion has come to the view that, far from being despicable, there is something rather splendid in a man helping his wife with the housework. Instead of losing his masculinity he gains more by appearing strong through his show of love, consideration and kindness to his wife. No man worthy of the name feels at ease sitting comfortably reading while his equally tired wife continues with the chores.

But I don't believe for one minute that man likes housework. He has no propensity for it; he does it on sufferance because his present-day conscience tells him he must do his fair share.

True, there are plenty of women who hate housework, but from countless centuries of breeding they have more propensity for it than men. They have an inborn sense of domesticity that makes cleaning and bedmaking an essential and important part of life. Left to themselves men would be entirely happy to leave the bed unmade, or to use a sleeping bag.

BEST COOKS

COOKING is different. The best cooks have always been men. They should be, for they have had half a million years of practice. The kill was cooked in the cave-mouth by the man. He then ate the best of it, and gave the left-overs to the women.

It should be noted, however, that when a man cooks it is in the grand manner; it is either his job or his hobby. He cooks, as he files and explores—he likes a staff and porters to carry his baggage. Not for him the Laneshire Hot-Pot and the Shepherd's Pie. These are women's inventions and women's daily routine.

Nevertheless, I find it embarrassing to watch in public a man wearing an apron, sleeves rolled up, giving cooking demonstrations.

I find it equally odd to watch a Rugger Blue sitting cosily in an armchair with a work-basket by his side and a piece of embroidery in his hands. The picture of father bathing and changing a baby is now so familiar that one only remembers with a start that he did not actually give birth to the child!

FATHER'S JOB

ALL this may be very admirable behaviour on the part of modern man, but, broadly speaking, Nature doesn't agree. In the animal world it is father's job to find the food, mother's to attend to whatever is the equivalent of changing the nappy. It's we humans who seem to have got mixed in our sexes and severities.

What is the answer? It seems that as the emancipation of women is unlikely to stop, the career woman has come to stay, so obviously must the

housewife-man. And so it follows that he should be encouraged to become better and better at the job and allowed, if he wishes, to crow about it. I only hope the day never dawns when we women will have to fight him for our rights to that cosy kitchen.

Upholstering With Plastics

TAKES much know-how and tricks of the trade to do the job of sewing plastics, because these materials are so different from natural fibres.

For machine sewing of plastic of drapery weight, a fine needle, tension and a long stitch (7 to 12 to the inch) are recommended by plastic manufacturers. And mercerized cotton is the thread suggested rather than the nylon thread.

To avoid rips when the pattern is laid out, small weights and paper clips, rather than pins, should be used to keep the pattern steady and in place. A very good tip is that in humid weather, coloured machine oil may be sprinkled along the seams of the plastic fabric to facilitate its movement under the needle of the sewing machine.

Demonstration

We watched a clever and most instructive demonstration of re-upholstering furniture with a plastic fabric. It was suggested that, if possible, the original covering be used as a pattern for the plastic. This may be attached by fine pins, placed as close to the edge of the pattern as possible, leaving a wide margin, then the pieces may be cut out. All notches should be rounded at the inside points to prevent tearing.

On the furniture, sharp corners should be padded, rough edges smoothed and tack holes filled in with plastic wood before the new upholstery is applied. The plastic, drawn firmly across the furniture piece, may be tacked in place with No. 4 upholstery tacks. Care must be taken to avoid embedding the tack heads in the plastic.



Rufus was happy. Well, happy as a dog can be while his master is away. He is the much beloved poodle Sir Winston Churchill had to leave behind when he went on holiday to La Capponcina, Lord Beaverbrook's Riviera villa at Cap d'Ail.

Six-year-old Rufus is far from lonely. He is staying with relatives. You see them in this family group—Rufus is lying between his 12-year-old grandfather Winkie (otherwise champion Royboy of Toytown) and his two-year-old cousin Alyse (at back).

Rufus's hostess is Miss Bella Lobban, of Chiswick, who sold him to Sir Winston. She lets Rufus sleep on her elderdown—as snugly as he does at the foot of the Prime Minister's bed.

Preventing Kitchen Accidents

By IDA BAILEY ALLEN

HOME is always with us. Perhaps that is the reason why we do not realise that more accidents occur yearly in the home than almost anywhere else. And most of these are preventable.

Every woman can introduce many small improvements into her kitchen to make it safe. For instance, floors should not be waxed too highly; grease and water should be wiped up at once, when spilled, to prevent slipping. A sturdy aluminium step-ladder should be provided to reach high shelves and prevent falls. A fire extinguisher should be handy.

Matches should be kept in a metal tin, where children cannot reach them. Pots of food cooking on the stove should have the handles turned so children cannot reach up and tip them over. Frying should be done only in deep heavy utensils so fat cannot boil over and cause a fire. Cotton and

plastic curtains should never be hung over a stove.

Dinner

Citrus Juice
Fried Catfish or Fish Fillets
Green Beans Hush Puppies
Fruited Snow Pudding
Custard Sauce
Hot or Iced Coffee or Tea Milk

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Hush Puppies

Mix 1 c. white cornmeal with ½ tsp. salt. Stir in ½ c. hot water or enough to make a soft dough. Cut frankfurters in 1-in. lengths. Pat the dough around. Drop into a heavy frying pan or skillet containing enough melted shortening to oil the bottom thoroughly. Slow-fry until golden brown all over, turning occasionally.

Fruited Snow Pudding

Into a bowl put the contents of 1 pkg. prepared lemon gelatin. Add 1½ c. boiling water; stir until the gelatin dissolves. Refrigerate 30 min., or until beginning to thicken. Then beat with a rotary beater until fluffy. Add 1 beaten egg white and ¼ c. combined small-diced peaches, halved green grapes, small-diced pears or apples, and any kind of available whole berries. Transfer to custard cups. Refrigerate about 2 hrs., or until firm. Unmould; serve surrounded with chilled custard sauce.

Sunday's Dinner

Grapefruit Sections
Fricassee of Chicken on Toast
Squash Spanish
Buttered Sliced Beets
Ice Cream Dessert on Penuche Cookie Squares
Hot or Iced Coffee or Tea Milk

Squash Spanish

Wash 1 lb. small, tender crookneck squash, and thin-slice without peeling. Core and thin-slice 2 green peppers; peel and

thin-slice 3 medium-sized onions. Heat 2 tbsp. butter or margarine in a large frying pan. Add the vegetables. Stir and saute over a medium heat until the squash is almost tender. Add ½ tsp. salt, ¼ tsp. pepper and ¼ tsp. each monosodium glutamate and garlic salt.

Penuche Cookie Squares

Stir ½ c. margarine or shortening until creamy. Work in 1 c. light brown sugar, ½ tsp. vanilla and 2 well-beaten eggs. Sift together 1½ c. already-sifted enriched flour, 1/8 tsp. salt and 2 tsp. baking powder. Add ¼ c. chopped nuts, any kind. Spread in a 7" x 11" oiled cake pan. Bake 15-20 min. in a moderate oven, 375° F. Half-cool, then cut in squares.

Trick-Of-The-Chef

Season green beans with browned butter or margarine and onion for good flavour. To prepare this, use 2 tsp. butter or margarine and 1 tsp. minced onion for 3 c. cooked beans. Heat and stir over a low heat until golden brown; then stir into the beans. This makes the butter go farther and gives a rich taste to the beans. When boiling beans, add ¼ dill seed.

Household Hints

A travel iron is ideal for trips. But before you plan to take one abroad, check the voltage in the countries you visit.

To keep table silver shining, wash each piece in hot soapy water, promptly after using, and dry thoroughly with a soft towel.

A cane-bottomed chair should be tipped upside down and sponged with water at least once a year. When water dries, give cane a coat of fresh white shellac to preserve it.

Marriage And Health

By W. W. BAUER, M.D.

"BETTER is a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and hatred therewith." The wisdom of Solomon is still valid today. A happy marriage favours good health for both partners. The first step is the choice of a marriage partner. In the old days, when everybody pretty much stayed put, and grew up with the community, the school-boy-and-girl romance was common. There was not always flaming romance in this, but there was stability, the quality lacking in many marriages today.

Under conditions which now exist with the population on the move, most young people marry comparative strangers, and many do so after a very short acquaintance. Temperamental differences, soft-pedalled during courtship, crop out after marriage. If there are financial difficulties, or it is necessary to live with "in-laws," or the groom goes off to service or both have jobs, the marriage is insecure from the start.

MARRY FOR KEEPS

The attention which is being paid to divorce should not obscure the fact that a great many couples are staying married, and intend to continue doing so. But the broken home is a real problem—and it is a health problem. There cannot be good emotional health among the members of a broken home. The children suffer most. But the parents do not escape. The states of mind engendered through separation and divorce, preceded by an era of bickering and bitterness, leave their psychic scars and may be reflected in physical ill.

To make marriage work in any era, requires about the same ingredients. These were not present in all the old-time marriages by any means. The difference was that in those past, people expected marriage to be for keeps, and they did all they could to make it so. Marriages today are entered upon on too often with fingers crossed and a spoken or implied feeling that if it doesn't work, it's easy to get out and try again. To make marriage work, it must be entered upon with a feeling of permanence.

AGREE ON FAMILY

Despite the trend toward hasty marriages by some people, there is a growing group which is looking seriously upon the characteristics, the family background and the heredity of the intended spouse. Maybe you don't "marry the family," but you do have to live along with them, and if they are not the kind of people, maybe the young person you are planning to marry won't be either.

There should be agreement about children before marriage. If one partner looks hungrily at every child, while the other wants no part of parenthood, the seeds of future trouble are there.

Stripping the veil from sex has not had the magic beneficial results expected. The young people of today, who "know all the answers," do not seem to handle this problem much better than did the old-timers. The reason is that sex is more than physical. Sex education begins in the cradle—when baby learns that he cannot have everything when he wants it. Sex is not something mysterious, outside all other rules. It is governed by the basic principle of give and take, of unselfishness and true affection, just as are all other relationships, in marriage and out.

Teen-agers Give A Helping Hand

By Eleanor Ross

MOTHERS being what they are, love, affection and thoughtful attention transcend all tangibles. So let us tell you what two teen-agers worked out who noted that their mother, like most mothers, was constantly busy doing things for every member of the household but herself. That is where the girls took over.

A peek into the dresser drawer disclosed that Mother's costume jewellery could do with special treatment. With Mother out shopping, the bathroom basin was filled with lukewarm water and plenty of suds, and there was a soft brush for the cleaning job, a hand towel and a clean dry wash cloth.

Cardboard Collar

The girls, after a critical examination of the flowerpot, went to work with a stiff brush and lots of soapuds. Carefully they made a cardboard collar to fit around the rim of the pots containing plants of the long and clinging type. This kept the tendrils out of the way. And every flowerpot emerged shining clean, every smudge of mud washed away.

One of our heroines noticed that the area around the wall switch plate and the door knob in their room was smudgy. The next half-hour found the young-sters going through the house, armed with a well-wrung-out soapy cloth and a dry one, doing every wall plate and door knob area, but of course, rinsing and drying the cloth from time to time. Took but a jiffy and it made such a difference that they resolved to take on the job for keeps.

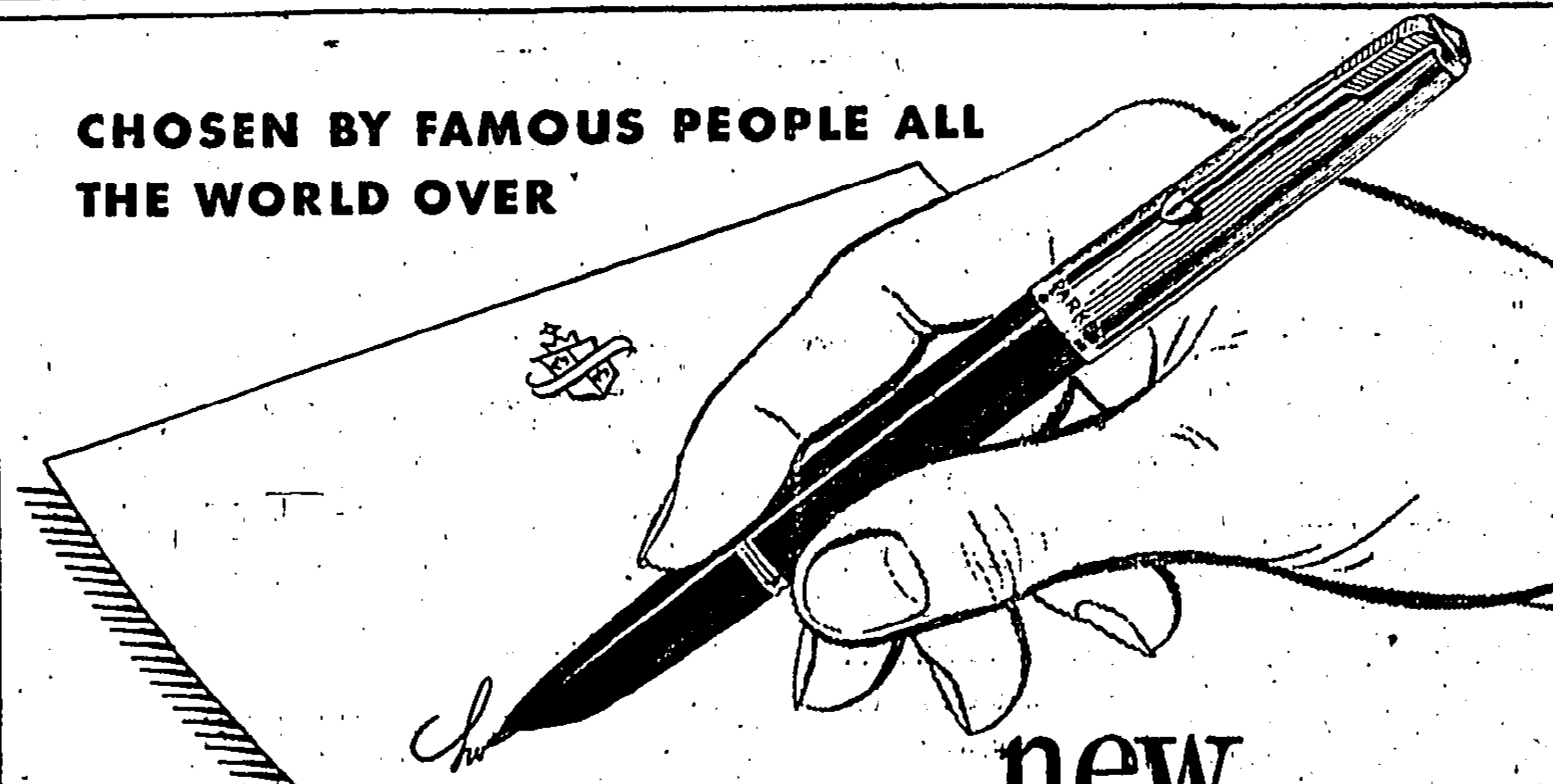
To Prevent Shrinkage

The strings of pearl beads were swished through the suds, patted dry with the cloth, and each end of the string pinned onto the hand towel to prevent possible cord shrinkage.

The brush was used to clean pins and brooches, always one item at a time. The brush was worked lightly but thoroughly, not dug into the article. Then the piece was patted dry.

Some fancy hair ornaments, pretty combs, were dunked right into the soapy water, then thoroughly cleaned between the teeth with the brush, rinsed and dried. How nice they looked!

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DIVORCE AND THE QUEEN'S PROCTOR

THE STORY OF THE CHANGES IN MARRIAGE AND MORALS THAT HAVE GONE TO MAKE THE PATTERN OF SOCIETY IN 1953

by CHARLES BERRY

Charlie Dilke Spilt the Milk On his way back from Chelsea.

THUS the ribaldry of the late Victorian music hall commemorated the ruin of one of the most brilliant rising politicians of that time.

In the early 80's Sir Charles Dilke, Liberal MP for Chelsea, seemed almost certain to succeed Gladstone as leader of the Liberal Party and Prime Minister of England. Then in the full tide of success his career was abruptly wrecked by a disastrous divorce case, the real facts behind which remain obscure even today.

On July 17, 1885, Donald Crawford, a middle-aged Scottish lawyer and Liberal member for Lanark, returned home at midnight to find an anonymous letter denouncing his young wife's infidelity.

His request

MRS Crawford was only 22 and was the sister of Dilke's sister-in-law. She confessed that her lover was Dilke, and that she repaired to his house every day at noon and committed adultery with him after he had finished the fencing practice in which he used to engage during the morning.

The news that Crawford intended to cite Dilke as co-respondent, reached Gladstone who immediately saw that the case might seriously damage the Liberal Party—a general elec-

• "The Queen's Proctor intervenes" For nearly a century those words have been able to strike fear into the parties to a divorce suit. The Proctor is the civil servant who can investigate the decision of judges. He is the man who remains for many a figure of mystery and power.

• What are his methods? How does he work? This article begins a survey of the Proctor's cases. They show, through the drama of the courts, the changes in the public attitude towards the marriage bond that have led to the trend today: 33,000 divorces a year in the Courts of England.

He fought to save an MP's honour

He was due in a few months—and might well ruin Dilke.

He sent for T. M. Healy, an Irish M.P. and quite often an intermediary in difficult negotiations. Healy, who was later the first Governor-General of the Irish Free State, decided to find out whether Crawford could be induced to withdraw.

Healy thereupon asked Crawford to do nothing. Crawford said that he would accept a judgment when the Liberals were next in office. "A Scottish judgment," asked Healy with ill-concealed contempt for his colleague in Parliament. "No, an English one," replied Crawford. Healy broke off the discussion and did not even consider it worth while bothering Gladstone with such an immoral proposal.

'Outrageous'

A FEW days later Gladstone talked with Healy. "Have you seen Crawford?" he asked. "Yes," Healy replied. "What does he want?" "Preposterous and even outrageous suggestion—a judgment, an English judgment."

There was a pause and Gladstone observed, in a thoughtful tone, "I think Crawford would make a judge."

Healy at once hastened to see Crawford. It was too late. He had already informed the Tories.

In August the petition was duly filed. Dilke vigorously repudiated the charges in an open letter to his Chelsea constituents, and at the General Election of December 1885, he was again returned to Parliament.

About a year earlier Dilke had become engaged to Mrs Mark Pattison, widow of the rector of Lincoln College, Oxford. The news had been kept secret from all but a few friends.

Mrs Pattison was in India when the petition was filed and learned the news in a letter from Joseph Chamberlain, Dilke's closest friend. Her reply was prompt. She telegraphed the news of the engagement to The Times.

As soon as she returned from India in October she married Dilke at the Chelsea Parish Church. Joseph Chamberlain was best man.

Four months later, in February 1886, the trial began in a blaze of publicity.

The case for the petitioner was simple. It consisted almost entirely of a confession made by his wife.

Mrs Crawford did not say a word in court in her own defence, and her confession stood uncontradicted.

To a lawyer the situation at that point was clear, startling though it might seem to anyone else.

The confession was evidence against Mrs Crawford that she had committed adultery with Dilke, but it was not evidence against Dilke that he had committed adultery with Mrs Crawford.

It followed that the petitioner was entitled to his decree, while Dilke, by standing by and doing nothing, could claim to be dismissed from the suit. None the less, it was open to him, if he so chose, to give evidence, and to repeat on oath the avowals he had already so publicly made. He did not so choose.

Judge approved

THE responsibility of advising Dilke lay with his counsel.

These included two eminent practitioners, Sir Charles Russell, then Attorney-General, and Sir Henry James, a future Lord of Appeal.

The manner in which they justified the advice they had given was, in the light of after events, unfortunate.

The Attorney-General remarked that in giving evidence his client "might be put through the events of his whole life, and in the life of any man there may be found to have been indiscretions." And Sir Henry James used words to the same effect.

They asked that Sir Charles should be dismissed from the suit with costs. The judge, in granting the decree, went out of his way to express his approval of the course taken.

Proctor intervenes

THE public, however, is not composed of lawyers, but of plain persons who believe that if a woman is proved to have committed adultery with a man it is not unlikely that the man will have committed adultery with her.

The period between decree nisi and decree absolute gave Dilke

declined to draw the sword in his defence, he must now go into battle with his hands tied.

He fought hard, none the less.

On oath, he denied every allegation against him. He called—or rather the Queen's Proctor called for him—his servants as witnesses to account for his movements on the occasions which Mrs Crawford had spoken of in her confession. He sustained a searching cross-examination with dignity and, on the whole, with success. His case was that the confession was the invention of a spiteful woman, made to shield her own misconduct with another man.

In answer to the Queen's Proctor, Crawford put his wife into the witness-box. She conceded that Dilke's allegation was true to a certain extent. There was another lover, whose name she had suppressed up to that moment.

It was the only part of her evidence that could have given Dilke any comfort. For what she had to say went far beyond her original admission. She declared to a shocked court that Dilke had seduced her, a young bride, very shortly after her marriage; that he had been not only her lover but her mother's before her; that he maintained a house on assignment in the West End of London; and that she had shared his favours with the maid-servant who attended to her on her clandestine visits to Dilke's home.

Was it the truth?

IT was not the picture of an honourable man carried away by a gust of passion, but of a callous sensualist. Some of her hearers must have remembered counsel's ill-omened remarks at the first trial.

Was she telling the truth? Dilke to the end of his life affirmed his innocence, and many, chief among them his devoted wife, believed him.

If Mrs Crawford lied she was not only a perjurer, but an astonishingly accomplished actress. Her evidence, at all events, induced the jury to find that Crawford's decree had not been obtained contrary to the facts of the case.

The Queen's Proctor's intervention was dismissed. Officially the matter rested where it had been after the first trial, but Dilke's career had perished.

MONDAY:
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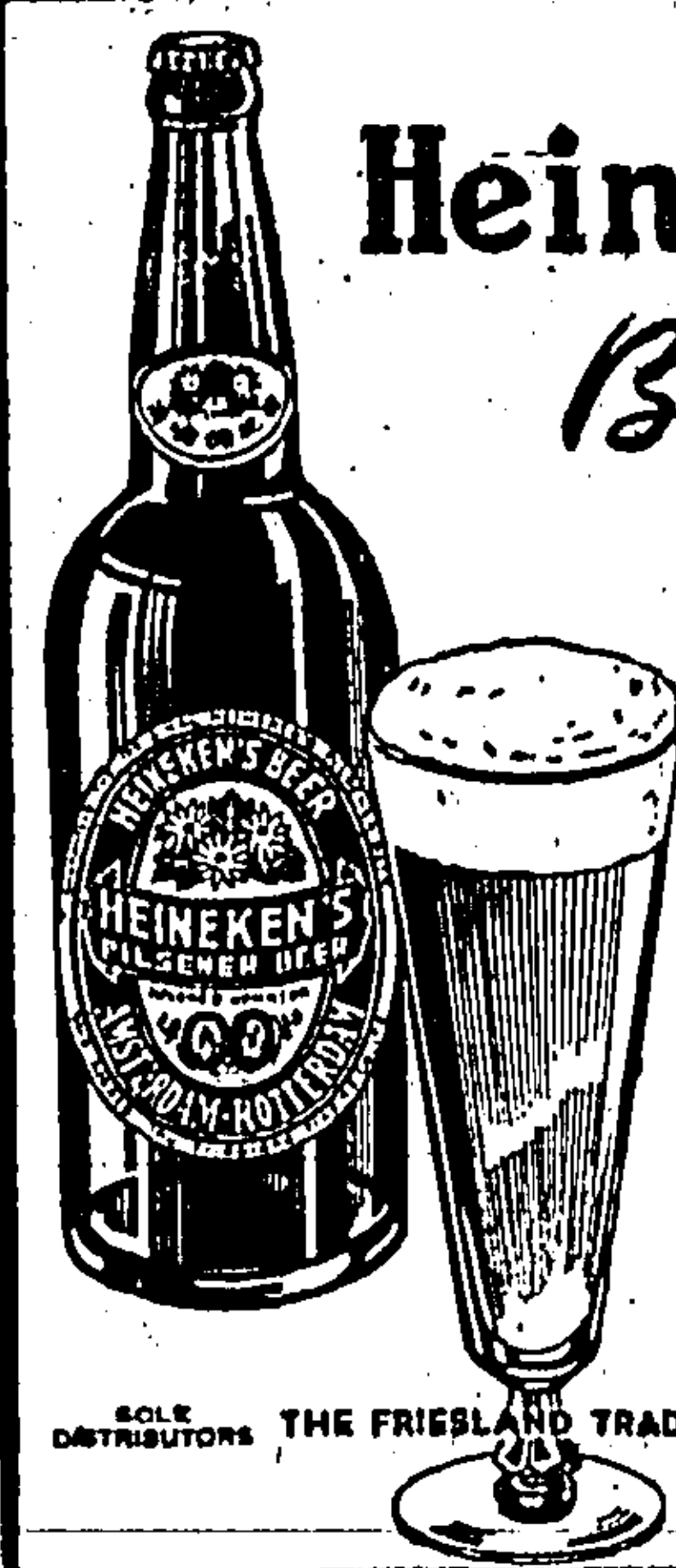
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DOCTORS' REPORT MAKES FIRST-RATE DRAMA

By JEREMY TAYLOR

READ with an eye to the background, the British Medical Association's report on the doctors' reaction to the National Health service which has all the fascination of a first-rate drama.

To the bare conclusions—most doctors are happy in the service, most think they can now do more for more people, most think free drugs are a godsend—one might be tempted to answer: "Elementary, my dear Watson."

But it is not so elementary.

In 1948—just five years ago—the Association reported that most doctors were bitterly opposed to state medicine. They moanedly thought their incomes would dwindle, their relations with their patients decay.

Now there are still a large number of discontented doctors. Their discontent, however, no longer rests on a theoretical objection but on the practical problems which must be overcome before the system can approach its own ideal.

Odd Fact

This doctors are confident that the problems can be overcome—and are ready and willing to play their part in overcoming them.

That is odd, perhaps, for some doctors who might have earned £2,000 a year before the war are doing well to make £1,000 today.

And every doctor today averages 2,500 patients on his list—against previous optimum nearer 1,000 (a figure approached in many parts of Canada and the United States).

Yet, of the 13,000 doctors interviewed, only about one in five reports he is dangerously over-worked. (A reply to be distinguished, of course, from a feeling that he is really giving the ideal attention to every patient.)

The reasons for this shift of ground in a short space of five years (three years in most cases, for the bulk of the survey work was done in 1952) are complex.

The doctors find, to their intense satisfaction, that they can now practise preventive medicine in earnest. The patient who once presented himself only when he had acquired an incapacitating affliction now comes when he feels mildly unwell. Thus the disease can be treated easily and quickly in far more cases.

The health service and the upsurge in wonder drugs came, fortuitously, at the same time. No doctor need now feel pangs of conscience when he prescribes a costly drug.

And, at the root of the matter, is the essential fact that most doctors are dedicated to their profession. They want to

help as many of the sick as their talents will permit. State medicine enables them to practise their art as the case demands and not as the purse permits.

This does not imply that there are no problems. Too many doctors still cannot afford the equipment they need; too many patients are coming to regard the general practitioner as a dispenser of patent medicines and to rely on the "specialist" for medical treatment; too many state officials still try to work mass production treatment techniques.

But these are not insoluble problems. And the doctors have come to realise that the solutions lie within their power.



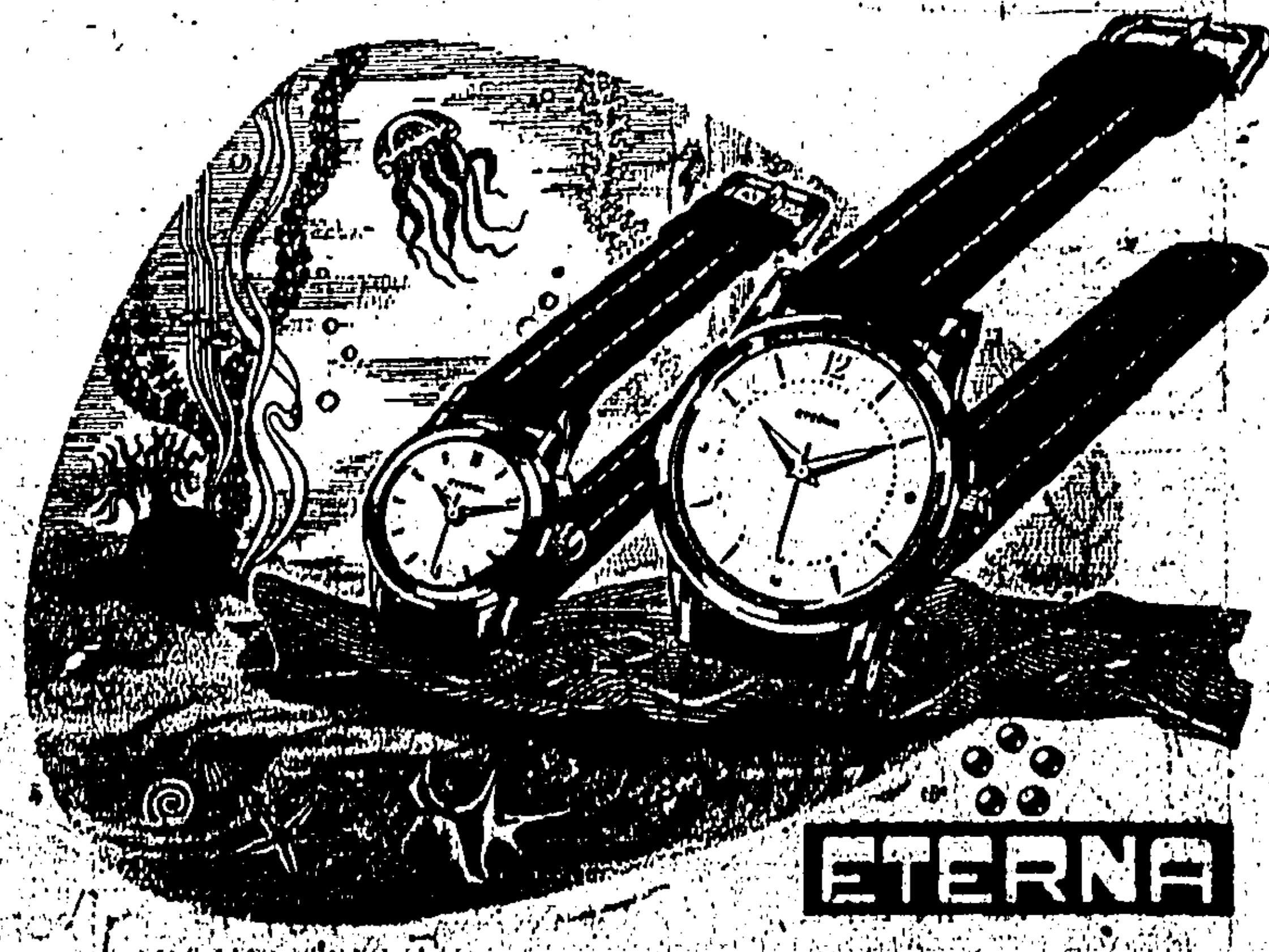
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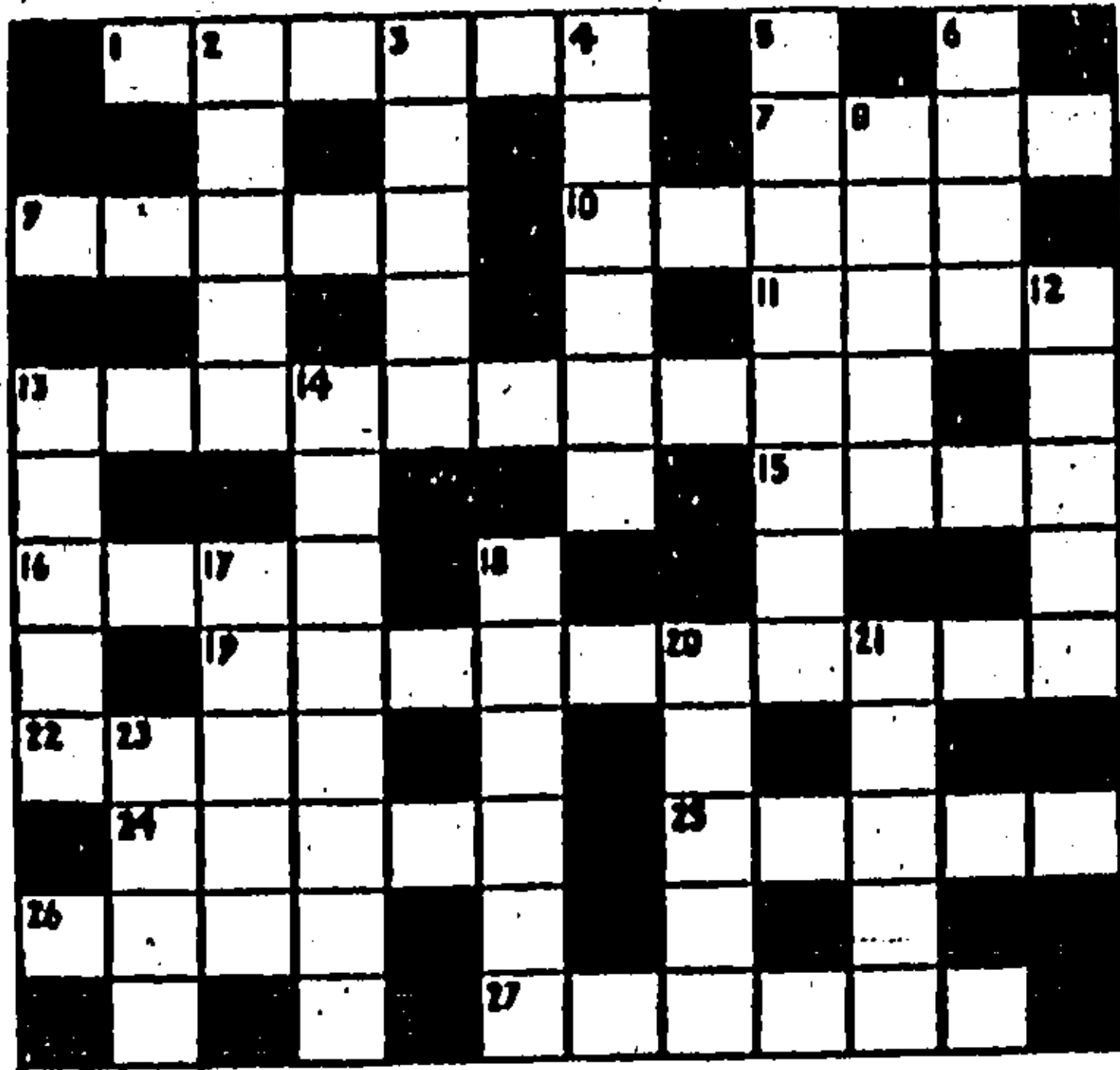
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ACROSS:

- 1 Able (8).
7 Expletive (4).
9 Boundary (5).
10 Fruit (5).
11 Female animals (4).
13 Determination (10).
15 Stringed instrument (4).
16 Damsel (4).
19 Condensed (10).
22 Calm (4).
24 Stadium (5).
25 Woo (5).
26 Printing instruction (4).
27 Quiet (6).

DOWN:

- 2 Swellings (5).
3 Of first importance (5).
4 Distant (6).
5 Solaces (8).
6 Put away (4).
8 Extreme suffering (5).
12 Mount (5).
13 Souvenir (5).
14 Out of use (8).
17 Scratch (5).
18 Horribles (6).
20 Surprised (5).
21 Regret with disdain (5).
23 Grain (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Cocker, 4 Harsh, 7 Ponder, 8 Mimic, 10 Trip, 12 Aviator, 15 Grave, 16 Tote, 17 Lone, 19 Enter, 20 Sisters, 21 Sent, 23 Signs, 24 Leader, 25 Oases, 26 Spurred. Down: 1 Capitals, 2 Consigns, 3 Even, 5 Agitates, 6 Sultor, 9 Ovens, 11 Preference, 12 Avers, 13 Tormentor, 14 Restored, 16 Oiling, 22 Keep.



— THIS DREAM MEANS: —

The fine white horse which you mount in a beautiful meadow and gallop over hill and dale symbolises the rich, eventful, emotional life—with its peaks and valleys—which you are now enjoying.

When you dismount (and your joyful ride is over) you are disappointed with the cracked



egg. The egg symbolises, among other things, future possibilities and the germ of things to come; the egg is cracked, so evidently you have some misgivings about your future and the outcome of it all.

There may be a tiny element of guilt in your make-up which leads you to expect great joy to be followed by disappointment and remorse. Anyway if you don't expect too much, you can't be disappointed.

PARADE A COLUMN OF THE UNUSUAL ABOUT PEOPLE AND PLACES AND THINGS

IN BENITO'S LOVE NEST, SPAGHETTI.

In the villa where Benito Mussolini used to entertain his mistresses you can have champagne, caviar, and spaghetti—at US \$8.40 a throw.

For background, there are huge marble staircases, neon lighting; an aquarium with tropical fish; sliding doors, and white telephones. Outside, the big swimming pool is still filled and ready; the tennis court is neat and trim.

In the luxurious lounge is the pack of cards with which Benito and Clara used to while away the evenings and the fan Clara kept beside her on hot summer days.

All this because Cleonte Peluzzi, the man who runs the Rome airport restaurant, spent years striking a deal with the now hard-up Fascist family (Clara's relatives).

There is only one room not open to eaters—the mirror-covered bedroom where Mussolini's bald pate was reflected to the infinite. The family made Peluzzi promise never to show it.

He wanted to call the villa "Che Clara" but the family objected. So it will be "Peluzzi's Restaurant."

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MANY ARE A BOBBY'S CHORES. Britain's policemen will no longer be allowed to wash bodies, collect taxes or supervise ferry boats.

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The committee found policemen (among other things) acting as town criers; scrubbing police station floors; doubling as water bailiffs; inspecting fertilisers, cattle pounds, sea-men's lodgings and greengrocers' scales; and last, but not least, washing and embalming corpses.

Now, if the Home Secretary takes the committee's advice, the policeman must spend more time keeping his eye on the burglar—whether he's a-burgling or not.

TOUGH BABES. Maltese men emigrating to Australia were warned in a Valletta radio broadcast to stay away from Australian girls.

Maltese men, it seems, are polite and chivalrous. When a lady makes conversation in a bar, they respond and offer to escort her home.

DOGGETT'S DAY. Spectators who watched the groups of stalwart young men rowing up the Thames in elegant feather-weight boats the other day would probably have been surprised if anyone had told them that they were witnessing England's oldest annual sporting event. So would the men who started it all had he been allowed to come back for a peek.

Thomas Doggett, whig, comedian and sometime joint manager of the Drury Lane Theatre started the race for "Doggett's Coat and Badge" in 1716—probably in an effort to speed up the watermen who laboriously rowed him back and forth across the river.

In any case, he offered "An orange colour livery with a badge representing Liberty to be rowed for by six watermen."

In his will he left 88 shillings a year to cover the cost of the twelve-ounce silver badge, the coat and a tip for the clerk of the Waterman's Hall.

Ever since, the Fishmonger's Company have arranged the race. But things have changed. Originally, the race was to be from London Bridge to Chelsea's

Three Interesting Games On The Softball League Programme For Tomorrow

On Sunday, commencing at 11 a.m., King's Park will be the scene of three interesting Senior "A" softball games, the main attraction among which will be the clash between Jindoo Hussain's talent-loaded Saints and Joey Franco's Warriors at 2 p.m.

Following this tussle, Ed Carvalho's Braves are heavily picked to beat Chey Teol's South China for their second win in a row. In the curtain-raiser, the newly-promoted Rexes, Senior "B" Champions, will make their debut in the Senior "A" League against Frank Chan's Chinese Amateur Athletics.

The rejuvenated Saints, managed by Jindoo Hussain, who had a banner 1951-52 season but finished a dismal fifth last year, will be served on the mound by Vic Pedruco, of Jagers' fame and A. R. Salih, former of the Rexes. The Saints will also add Ignar Erickson, ex-Jagers' catcher, to the receiving staff and will have Ray Aldegaur, formerly of the Warriors, as first pitcher.

These names are welcome additions to the Saints' squad this season.

Arturo Ozorio and Dave Leonard will enter into the role of valuable veterans as second baseman and shortstop respectively. Lanky Benny Omar, who has been given clearest recognition as the Saints' most successful third baseman, will captain the team.

Outfielders who are expected to contribute toward making the Saints potential flag-contenders this year are Gussy Pereira, Jindoo Hussain, Joaquin Colloco, Sherry Bucks and "Showboat" Ali.

With their newly-acquired battery in Pedruco and Erickson, the Saints are out for their biggest softball season and will

be firm favourites to whip the Warriors in their initial game of the season.

Pedruco, who had played a stellar role as Jagers' hurler last season, will be a valuable addition to the Saints' pitching corps which includes Salih and Sherry Bucks.

Salih and Pedruco will probably be used exclusively as pitchers and are expected to pace the Saints towards regaining the pennant which they lost to the Braves last year.

If Salih needs any additional incentive in his climb to Senior "A" softball stardom, tomorrow's game against the Warriors should provide it. The Saints expect a maximum of effort from him at starting moundman.

On the strength of this impressive array of talent it is just possible that the Saints may become the outstanding team in the Senior "A" circuit this season. But they will have to take their opening game very seriously against Joey Franco's Warriors.

Although considerably weakened by the departure of Hank Killeen to the Braves and Ray Adogur to the Saints, the Warriors are a grand fighting unit.

Hurler Franco, who has a wonderful eye, can be counted on to turn in a fine performance and he will team up with "Circus" Souza, former Blackhawk's reliable catcher, to form the Warriors' battery.

In Peter Hahn, the Warriors have one of the fastest third basemen in local softball while second-baseman Tony Silva and left-fielder Jimmy Chen have impressed plenty of observers in the many games in which they have figured for the Warriors.

In the batting department, the Warriors will be well served by centre-fielder Johnny Pereira and catcher "Circus" Souza.

On the eve of this big game, interest is centred on the question uppermost in the minds of the Warriors' supporters as to whether first-baseman Joey Reis will be available for the tussle. There's talk that Reis will be going camping this Sunday and his place will be taken over by "J.J." Other members of the Warriors are Gogi Marques, Vic Vianna, Jackie Silva and Alfredo Oliveira.

The pre-game reputation of the Saints should only succeed in inducing the Warriors' members to try much harder and run faster, and with the break of the game they may pull a major upset victory.

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In the case of the CAA it will be recalled that time and again they were handicapped by silly errors in the third and fourth innings against the Braves last week and went through a disastrous opening game of the season. They also convinced the packed stands that they were greatly lacking in team spirit and that their battery needs polishing up.

Almost all softball enthusiasts who witnessed the Braves-CAA battle agree that the CAA at present are not yet ready to meet Harry Lee to perform a miracle and that met with little success. That was when the Braves were starting to enjoy great success. He was eventually benched and his place was taken over by a more reliable K.K. Sit. Coach Frank Poon's decision to start Lee instead of Sit as catcher at the outset came as a surprise to many.

It is also safe to say that ex-South China player C. M. Tang has arrived as local softball's brightest first base star. His play in the clutch proves that. He has come a long way from the two seasons. The rapidity with which he mastered first base play is a proof of his versatility and he is currently CAA's most-prized ball-player.

The question is: can Tony Kwok repeat his steady pitching performance? If Kwok is able to duplicate last week's exhibition of good pitching, this column predicts a runaway victory for the Chinese squad.

It is well known that the CAA ball-players, including four ex-South China stars, are equal to the best seen in League games and are an aggregate to be reckoned with in the series of contests ahead, despite their first setback last week-end.

The remaining Senior "A" game of the day will be between the champion Braves and a depleted South China outfit, to be played at 3.30 p.m. The Braves are strongly favoured to maintain their winning form with a clean-cut victory over the Carolines.

The Braves last week showed their will to win after trailing 3-0 at the start of the third and their spirit made up for their elphed infielding and Chapple Remedios' unimpressive pitching.

The Braves owed much of their initial success to the clever play of Dick Chavez, Carlos Yvanovich, Junior Remedios and relief pitcher Jack Brown.

South China, whose four stars in P.C. Wong, C.M. Tang, "Rabbit" Leung and Lee Poon-hong, have gone over to the CAA, are not expected to show as much challenge to the Braves as they did last year when they finished a close second to the Champions. But coach Chev Teol has exercised his discretion and will utilise a promising junior pitcher in Dick Lau and the experienced S.C. Wong as catcher against the Braves.

Teol's other regulars who have contributed much towards the team's progress last season, and who will be seen in action tomorrow, are second-baseman W.K. Kon, third baseman Y.K. Chan, shortstop L.C. Poon and centre-fielder K.F. Chan. Newcomers in the South China team who have displayed plenty of speed and stamina in the Junior League are first baseman C.W. Ng, left-fielder P.N. Wong and right-fielder Y. F. Chan.

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In the Senior "B" game, the Pandas will stand an even chance of beating the Wildfires. Jimmy Herick, 1951-52 "Most Valuable Player" in the Junior League, will be Pandas' moundman for this game. He will be strongly supported by catcher C. M. Tong.

Others who will appear for the Pandas are first-baseman Patrick Tung, second-baseman Tony Wei, third-baseman Eddie Tao, shortstop Thomas Wei, left-fielder Paul Yan, centre-fielder Tony Chang and right-fielder K. C. Ho or Benson Chen.

In the Junior League, the 25th Gunners tangle with the Meumans while the P. Dogers meet the Chinese Amateur Athletics.

WEEK-END FIXTURES Following are the Softball League fixtures for this week-end:

TODAY Junior 2.30 p.m. 25th Gunners v. Meumans; Umpire—Bill Silva; P. Dogers v. CAA (2) Umpire—Ewins.

Senior "B" 4.00 p.m. Wildfires v. Pandas; Umpire—A. P. Turner and C. V. Maher; Delawares v. Hongkong University; Umpire—R. Hamel and D. Fong.

SUNDAY, OCT. 11 Ladies' League 9.30 a.m. Colleen v. CAA; Umpires—Bill Silva and Chan Yue-fai; Pandas v. Wahoes "A"; Umpires—Chev Teol and A. Britto.

Senior "A" 11 a.m. CAA v. Rexes; Umpire—Wally Ma and R. Tso. 2 p

